

# I Am the Resurrection

## Sermon Questions (March 27, 2016)

1. As soon as Jesus heard that Lazarus was sick and close to death, he hurried to Bethany. (Yes/No)

2. You should think about your death. (Yes/No)

3. List two passages that speak about the resurrection of the just and unjust:

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4. In John 5, why were the Jews in seeking to kill Jesus?

- a. He healed on Saturday.
- b. He claimed to be God.
- c. He was teaching a prosperity gospel.
- d. He ate food on the Sabbath.

5. From John 5, list three ways that Jesus says he is equal with the Father:

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6. When Jesus calls himself the "son of man," he's drawing our attention to his humanity. (Yes/No)

7. John 5:29 says that those who have done good will experience the resurrection of life. What does "done good" mean?

- a. Keeping the ten commandments.
- b. Doing more good than bad.
- c. Didn't do anything really bad without being sorry.
- d. Believing that Jesus is the Christ.
- e. Going to church at least three times a month.

8. There were only a few people that witnessed Lazarus' resurrection. (Yes/No)

9. Jesus had to give Lazarus life before he could obey his command to come out. (Yes/No)

10. The gospel of John was written so that (hint John 20:30–31):

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11. Do you believe that Jesus is the Christ? (Yes/No/Not Sure/I have doubts)

12. Are you trusting him with your death? (Yes/No/Not Sure)

### **3 Facts from History to Consider Today**

1. Jesus really died under the Roman Governor Pontius Pilate. Historians of the time affirm this, e.g., Josephus, Lucian, Tacitus, and of course, the Bible.

2. Jesus tomb was empty three days later. The Romans guarded the tomb and the Jews began the rumor that the body was stolen.

3. Jesus' followers, once cowardly, all heroically spent their lives for what they witnessed. We know that deceived people can give their lives for a lie, but these men would have known it was a lie. Would every single follower give their lives for what they knew to be false and would give them no advantage?

The best way to explain these facts is that Jesus' followers really saw him raise from the dead. They gave their lives because they knew that Christ had the power to raise it up again and that he promised he would.