

Lord's Day at Landmark

APRIL 9, 2023

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Morning Worship

MUSIC FROM THE REJOICE HYMNAL

	RESURRECTION MEDLEY
HYMN 51	ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
HYMN 323	CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY
WELCOME & PRAYER	
HYMN 32	CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS THEN CAME THE MORNING
HYMN 325	CHRIST AROSE HOW GREAT THOU ART HE IS LORD HALLELUJAH, PRAISE THE LAMB
MESSAGE	BRO. MICHAEL COLLIER

Evening Worship

MUSIC FROM THE REJOICE HYMNAL

	OUR GOD REIGNS
HYMN 322	HE ROSE TRIUMPHANTLY
HYMN 327	HE LIVES
WELCOME & PRAYER	
HYMN 70	THINE BE THE GLORY
HYMN 387	BECAUSE HE LIVES HE STILL REIGNS
MESSAGE	BRO. MICHAEL COLLIER

Happening Today

AFTERNOON SERVICE AT PROVIDENCE ASSISTED LIVING | 3PM

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY FELLOWSHIP
FOLLOWING THE EVENING SERVICE

He Is Risen!

Here are the salient facts: A man who claimed to be God was crucified on a skull-shaped hill called Calvary. He was certified dead by the Roman centurion in charge. His death was accompanied by such awesome signs and wonders that His executioners owned confessed Him to be the Son of God. He was buried in a brand-new tomb, which was secured by a stone, a seal, and a detachment of soldiers. These precautions were taken by the authorities to ensure that nobody tampered with the tomb. Three days later the tomb was empty. The stone was rolled back, and the guards fled in terror. A visitor from another world proclaimed Him to be alive. All through that day, and on into the weeks ahead, people saw Him alive. Such are the facts. Either they are gloriously true, or else they are a collection of fables and fantasies.

Here are the arguments of those who deny the resurrection: The first rumor to be circulated was that the disciples had stolen the body. To support this falsehood the Jewish Sanhedrin paid the soldiers who had reported the resurrection, "much money" (Mat. 28:12) to say that, while they slept, the disciples came and stole the body. This was obviously a lie. For one thing, the penalty in the Roman army for sleeping on guard was death. If it had been true, that they had been asleep, the soldiers would have been the first to deny it. The Jewish authorities assured them. "We can bribe the governor," they said. "You don't have to worry."

But what a sorry lie it was! Imagine someone coming into a court of law and saying to the judge and jury: "Your Honor, and members of the jury, I consider myself a competent witness because when the events I have described happened, I was sound asleep!"

The second theory is that Christ did not really die. It is claimed He swooned on the cross and was hastily buried, but revived in the cool of the tomb and managed to free Himself from His grave clothes. He then escaped into the night and three days later showed Himself alive—thus giving rise to fables about His resurrection. This view raises a multitude of problems. It assumes that a Roman soldier mistook a swooning man for a dead man. It assumes that the Lord's friends embalmed a living man when, surely, they, of all people would have noticed had He still been alive. It assumes, moreover, that the Lord's bitter enemies, who had moved heaven and earth to get Him crucified, would leave the scene of execution before making sure He was dead. The records declare, however, that the centurion took no chances. He ordered a soldier to pierce Jesus' side with a spear to make sure He was dead. Jesus recovered and escaped, says this view. But, every bone in His body was out of joint; and He was fearfully wounded in both His hands and feet. Yet, according to this theory, He first unwound the grave clothes that bound Him, then rewound them, to give the impression that He had risen through them. He pushed back the heavy, sealed stone that barred His escape and eluded the guard. Then, contrary to all we know of His peerless character, He perpetrated a lie by pretending to have come back from the dead. This view makes no sense. It generates more problems than it solves.

The third view is that the disciples saw a ghost. He, Himself, however, effectively put an end to that view when He entered the upper room in His resurrection body and not only ate a meal but also invited those present to handle Him.

Years ago a German pastor known for his faith was sneered at by a speaker at a giant rally of the Nazis in Berlin. "Pastor Schutez," said the speaker, "you are a fool. Fancy believing in a crucified, dead Jew!" The courageous pastor jumped to his feet. In resounding tones he said, "Yes sir, I should indeed be a fool if I believed in a crucified, dead Jew. But sir, I believe in the living, risen Son of God." So do we. There is all the difference in the world between the two.

Dr. John Phillips

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

MARCUS BELGARDE – 4TH
JEFF HOLLEMAN – 8TH
WILSON YARBRO – 8TH
KAY WINGET – 10TH

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

WADE & ANNETTE THOMAS

Missionaries and Ministries

THAT WE SUPPORT

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Stewart Scheppers - Dominican Republic
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Doug Rose - Peru
Eli Dacuyan - Philippines
Dennis Thomas - Nicaragua
Patrick Wolfe - US Military/Germany
Renewal Ranch
White County Hope Cottage

Service Schedule

SUNDAY

BIBLE STUDY, 9AM
MORNING SERVICE, 10AM
EVENING SERVICE, 5PM

WEDNESDAY

BIBLE STUDY, 6:30PM

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