

What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?

Key Vocabulary	
Crucifixion	Referring to the death of Jesus on a cross. A Roman punishment.
Justify	Show or prove to be right
Fundamental	A central or primary rule or principle upon which something is based
Luke	One of the 12 disciples and the writer of the gospel of Luke in the Bible
Epitaph	Words written in memory of someone who has died
incarnation	God in the flesh
secular	non religious
Sacrifice	The act of giving something up for something more important.
Salvation	The act of saving or being saved
Resurrection	Christians believe Jesus rose from the dead and became "Christ", the risen one, the Messiah

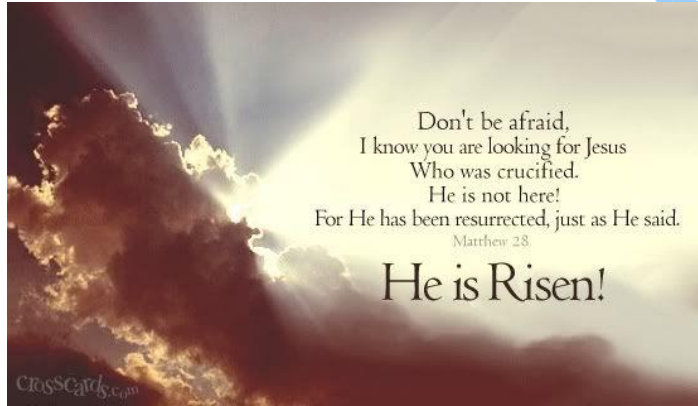


A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act.' (Gandhi)

Key Knowledge
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christians read the 'big story' of the Bible as pointing out the need for God to save people. This salvation includes the ongoing restoration of humans' relationship with God. The Gospels give accounts of Jesus' death and resurrection. Belief in Jesus' resurrection confirms to Christians that Jesus is the incarnate Son of God, but also that death is not the end. This belief gives Christians hope for life with God, starting now and continuing in a new life (heaven).

'Don't kid yourself that you're going to live again after you're dead; you're not. Make the most of the one life you've got. Live it to the full.' (Richard Dawkins)

Some things are really hard to get your head round, like the resurrection, for instance. Just because we don't understand HOW it happened, doesn't mean it DIDN'T happen? Does it?



If you believed that there was life after death, would you live your life differently? What would you do?