“The Myths and Fact of the Resurrection of Christ.”

INTRODUCTION:

Today, many including even sincere Bible-believing Christians, think that Easter is the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ from the dead and that the Lord Jesus Christ was crucified on what we know today as the holiday of Good Friday. In today’s lesson we will discover if these beliefs are valid or is the truth a little deeper.

Also we will explore an unusual fact of the resurrection, that may not be apparent at first but when this fact is explored in details, adds significance to the day of His resurrection and explains a verse that otherwise might not make any sense to the reader.

I. <u>Myths</u> of the Resurrection.

A. The _____ is not the day of the _____.

Acts 12:1 – 5; Leviticus 23:4 – 8; Exodus 12:2; Exodus 13;4; Esther 3:7.

The Feasts of the Lord as outlined in the Old Testament:

FEAST:	TIME OF THE YEAR:	PASSAGE:
Passover	Month 1 – Day 14	Leviticus 23:4
Unleavened Bread	Month 1 – Day 15 – 21	Leviticus 23:5 - 8
Firstfruits	Month 1 – Day 16*	Leviticus 23:9 - 14
Weeks (Pentecost)	Fifty Days after Passover	Leviticus 23:15 - 22
Trumpets	Month 7 – Day 1	Leviticus 23:23 – 25
Day of Atonement	Month 7 – Day 10	Leviticus 23:26 - 32
Tabernacles (Booths)	Month 7 – Day 15 - 21	Leviticus 23:33 - 44

B. The _____ is not the day of the _____.

Matthew *12:40; John 2:18 – 22; John 13:1; John 19:31 – 33; Mark 16:1 – 2.*

CRUCIFIXION ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:

WEDNESDAY:	THURSDAY:	FRIDAY:	SATURDAY:	SUNDAY:
Preparation for Passover	Feast of Passover	First Day: Feast of Unleavened Bread	Regular Sabbath Day	Day After Sabbath: First Day of the Week
Trial and Crucifixion	In the Grave – With the Saints in Paradise			Resurrection

CRUCIFIXION ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON:

THURSDAY:	FRIDAY:	SATURDAY:	SUNDAY:
Preparation for Passover	Feast of Passover	First Day: Feast of Unleavened Bread	Day After Sabbath: First Day of the Week
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II. _____ of the Resurrection:
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A. _____: The _____ of the Old Testament Saint.

Luke 16:19 – 31.

B. _____ Saint to go to Paradise:
_____.

Luke 23:42 – 43.

C. _____ to Paradise:
_____.

Genesis 5:21 – 23; 2 Kings 2:11 – 12.

D. _____ on the Trip from Paradise:
_____.

John 20:15 – 17; Ephesians 4:7 – 10;
Matthew 27:50 – 53; Hebrews 9:11 – 12.

E. _____ to the Earth:
_____.

Luke 24:36 – 43; John 20:18 – 20.

CONCLUSION and APPLICATIONS:

- **Easter and the Resurrection of Christ are not the same day.**
- **Do you celebrate the real meaning of the resurrection of Christ?**
- **The Crucifixion of Christ could not have been on the Friday before Sunday. It had to be earlier in the week.**
- **Do you remember the real meaning of the crucifixion of Christ?**
- **Paradise is the abode of the saint of the Old Testament with a couple of exceptions.**
- **The abode of the New Testament saint is now the Third Heaven.**
- **Will you go to the Third Heaven to be with the other saints when you die?**
- **You can know that you will go to Heaven for sure when you die: Accepting Christ as Saviour.**
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