

What Does the Resurrection of Jesus Mean to Me/Us – Kimo Hoopai

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1 . Jesus Rose to Forgive Us – Acts 13:37-39 NIV ³⁷ But the one whom God raised from the dead did not see decay. ³⁸ “Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. ³⁹ Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses.

1 Corinthians 15:17 NIV And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.

Notes: The bodily resurrection of Christ is the center of the Christian faith. Because Christ rose from the dead, as he promised, we know that what he said is true and that he is God. The Resurrection affirms the truthfulness of Jesus’ life and words. It also confirms Jesus’ unique authority to say, “I am the resurrection and the life” (John 11:25). Because he rose, we have certainty that our sins are forgiven. Because he rose, he lives and represents us before God. Because he rose and defeated death, we know we also will be raised. Jesus’ resurrection guaranteed both his promise to us and his authority to make that promise. We must take him at his word and believe.

2 . Jesus Rose to Heal Us – Isaiah 53:5 NIV But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 40:29-31 NIV ²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; ³¹ but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

3 . Jesus Rose to Give Eternal Life – John 3:16-17 NIV ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 11:25-26 NIV ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

4 . Jesus Rose to Intercede for Us – Romans 8:34 NIV Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us .

Hebrews 7:23-25 NIV ²³ Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; ²⁴ but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. ²⁵ Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

5 . Jesus Rose to Give Us Imperishable and Immortal Bodies – 1 Corinthians 15:42-44 NIV

⁴² So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.

1 Corinthians 15:53 NLT For our dying bodies must be transformed into bodies that will never die; our mortal bodies must be transformed into immortal bodies.

Notes: Our present, perishable bodies decay, but they will be transformed into resurrection bodies that are perfect and will never decay. Our new bodies will not be limited by the current laws of nature. This does not necessarily mean we’ll be super people , but our bodies will be different from and more capable than our present bodies. Our new bodies will not be weak, will never get sick, and will never die. Amen