

## **PREACH THE RESURRECTION, ASCENSION, AND SESSION OF JESUS CHRIST**

In our last lesson, we introduced our outline of studies from (1 Cor.15:1-58)

**We will divide 1 Cor.15:1-58 into six sections of context for study.**

<b>(1 Cor.15:1-11)</b>	<b>Preach Gospel of Grace Salvation</b>
(1 Cor.15:12-19)	Preach the Resurrection
(1 Cor.15:20-28)	Preach the Order of the Resurrection
(1 Cor.15:29-34)	Preach the Victory of Resurrection
(1 Cor.15:35-49)	Preach the Resurrection Body
(1 Cor.15:50-58)	Preach the Mystery of the Rapture

**We have divided (1 Cor.15:1-11) into two studies.**

(1 Cor.15:1-4)	Preach the Gospel of Grace Salvation.
<b>(1 Cor.15:5-11)</b>	<b>Preach the Resurrection, Ascension, and Session of Jesus Christ.</b>

In last week's lesson, we studied Paul's use of a series of declarative conjunctives (hoti) [that] as three point Greek grammatical marker to describe the gospel of grace salvation (1 Cor.15:3-4).

- "That (hoti) **Christ died for our sins** according to the Scriptures."
- "And that (hoti) **He was buried.**"
- "And that (hoti) **He was raised on the third day** according to the Scriptures."

In this lesson, Paul opens with the final declarative conjunction (hoti) [that] in this series (1 Cor.15:3-5).

(1 Cor.15:5) "And that **He appeared (post-resurrection).**"

Paul will once again use the Greek language as marker to emphasize the post-resurrection appearance of Jesus Christ prior to His ascension. (**horao/ a.p.ind.3ms**) [**appeared**].

<p><b>We will study <u>five aspects</u> of the importance of Preaching the Resurrection, Ascension, and Session of Jesus Christ.</b></p>
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**1. Paul used horao (a.p.ind.3ms) four times to outline the historical and legal witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

(1 Cor.15:5)	appearance to Cephas and the Twelve.
(1 Cor.15:6)	appearance to more than 500 CABs at one time.
(1 Cor.15:7)	appearance to James and all the Apostles.
(1 Cor.15:8-11)	appearance to Paul (post-ascension appearance) - Exception.

Most were still alive at the time of this writing.

(1 Cor.15:11) "Whether then it was I or they, **so we preach** (kerusso/ p.a.ind.1pl) **and so you believe.**"

**2. All the post-resurrection appearance of Jesus occurred over a period of 40 days.**

They occurred between the First-fruit and Pentecost Jewish festivals (Lev.23:15-16)

- The day after the weekly Sabbath of Unleavened bread is First-fruits, now count 50 days and you have the festival of Pentecost. (John 20:1) First day of week/ Sunday/ empty tomb!
- At the end of the 40 days of post-resurrection appearances Jesus ascended back to His Father (Acts 1:1-3; 9-11).
- This left a 10-day interval before Pentecost (Acts 1:5; 2:1-4, 32, 36; John 7:38-39) for the Session of Jesus to take place (Acts 2:33-36; Eph.1:20-23).

**3. To better understand the period of 40 days of post-resurrection appearances, we have divided them into four sections of study.**

**First section** involved two declarations of the empty tomb of Jesus Christ on **Resurrection Sunday** by angels and women.

- Galilean women (Luke 23:55-24:12; Mark 16:1-8)
- Peter and John (Luke 24:8-10; John 20:1-10)

**Second section** introduced three post-resurrection appearances of Jesus Christ on **Resurrection Sunday**.

- Mary Magdalene (Mark 16:9; John 20:11-18)
- Cleopas and another disciple on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35)
- Ten disciples of Jesus (minus Judas and Thomas) (John 20:19-25)

**Third section** of post-resurrection appearances occurred **8 days later**.

- Eleven disciple of Jesus (John 20:24-29)

**Fourth section** contains **the rest** of the recorded post-resurrection appearances of this 40-day period.

- Seven disciples of Jesus on Sea of Tiberius (John 21:1-25; 1 Cor.15:5).
- Eleven disciples of Jesus on a Mt. of Galilee (Mark 16:7; Matt.28:16-20)
- 500 disciples at one time (1 Cor.15:6)
- James and all the Apostles (1 Cor.15:7)
- Many disciples towards the end of the 40 days (Luke 24:36-49; Acts 1:1-3)
- Disciples of Jesus on Mt. of Olives and His ascension (Luke 24:50-52; Acts 1:4-13).

**4. We are told that if all the messages of Jesus had been recorded in detail the world would not contain the books that would be written (John 21:24-25; 20:30).**

**First section** message delivered by angels (Luke 24:5-8).and Galilean women but not by Jesus (Luke 24:10-12).

**Second section** message delivered by Jesus to Mary (John 20:14-18); Cleopas (Luke 24:25-27); Ten disciples (John 20:19-23).

**Third section** message delivered by Jesus to Eleven disciples (John 20:26-29).

**Fourth section** message by Jesus to Seven disciples (John 21:15-25); Eleven disciples on a Mt. in Galilee (Matt.28:16-20); no message mentioned with 500 or James; many disciples towards the end of 40 days (Luke 24:36-49); and finally, Disciples on Mt. of Olives (Acts 1:4-8).

**His ascension** is declared by two angels delivering their final message on it (Acts 1:9-12).