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## **THE THIRD DAY (Part #2)** **Jesus' three-day burial in Hades**

Our [last lesson](#), entitled The Third Day, was taken from John 2:18-22. We studied the Scriptural reference of the "Three Day Burial of Jesus."

At His death, **His body** went into a new tomb belong to Joseph of Arimathea (John 19:38-42), **His spirit** returned to the Father (Luke 23:46), and **His soul** went to Hades (Acts 2:29-36).

Our lesson text comes from Peter's Pentecost sermon recorded in Acts 2. Peter used three different Old Covenant messianic Scriptures. We will divide his sermon by them.

- In Acts 2:14-21, he used **Joel 2:28-32**.
- In Acts 2:22-28, he used **Ps.16:8-11**.
- In Acts 2:29-36, he used **Ps.110:1**.

Our lesson text contains the last two messianic Scriptures dealing with the burial of the soul of Jesus Christ in Hades (Acts 2:27, 34-35).

(Psa.16:10) "Because You will not abandon **My soul** to Hades, **nor** allow Your Holy One to undergo decay (**My body**)."

(Acts 2:27) BECAUSE YOU WILL NOT ABANDON MY SOUL TO HADES, NOR ALLOW YOUR HOLY ONE TO UNDERGO DECAY.

(John 11:39) "Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days." (Martha to Jesus)

**This lesson will study seven aspects of the Jesus Christ's mission  
in the plan of God to Hades regarding HIS burial.**

**The burial of the soul of Jesus Christ in Hades is an important doctrine to both the First Coming and the Second Coming.**

Notice that Peter connected the **First Coming with the Second Coming** by these Old Covenant Scriptures with the burial of Jesus.

(Acts 2:31) "He (David) looked ahead and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that He was neither abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh suffer decay."

(Ps.16:10) For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol; Nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.

### **Where is Hades?**

(Isa.14:9) "Sheol **from beneath** (the earth) is excited over you to meet you when you come; It arouses for you the spirits of the dead, all the leaders of the earth; It raises all the kings of the nations from their thrones.– beneath the earth.

(Phil.2:10) so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and **under the earth**,

(Eph.4:9) Now this *expression*, "He ascended," what does it mean except that He also had descended into **the lower parts of the earth?**

## Seven aspects of the Jesus Christ's mission in the plan of God to Hades regarding HIS burial

### **1. Jesus kept the appointment made with one of the thieves while on the cross.**

(Luke 23:43) And He said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise."

### **2. Jesus met with His deceased followers of His earthly ministry.**

(Matt.27:50-54) **[After His Resurrection]** And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up His spirit. And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now the centurion, and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that were happening, became very frightened and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

(Luke 16:22-23) **[like the beggar believer]** Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died and was buried. In Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his bosom.

### **3. Jesus gave an official message to the fallen angels of Genesis Chapter Six.**

(1 Pet.3:18-20) For Christ also died for sins once for all, *the* just for *the* unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; in which also He went and made proclamation to the spirits now in prison, who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through *the* water.

(2 Pet.2:4-5) For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment; and did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, with seven others, when He brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly.

(Luke 8:31) They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into the abyss.

(Jude 6) And angels who did not keep their own domain, but abandoned their proper abode, He has kept in eternal bonds under darkness for the judgment of the great day.

(Rev.9:1) Then the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him.

### **4. Jesus officially shut down Paradise (Abraham's Bosom of Hades) during the Church Age.**

(Lk.16:22) Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died and was buried.

(2 Cor.5:6-8) Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died and was buried.

(2 Cor.12:1-4) Boasting is necessary, though it is not profitable; but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago - whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows - such a man was caught up to the third heaven. And I know how such a man - whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, God knows - was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which a man is not permitted to speak.

### **5. Jesus was given the Keys to Hades for the Second Coming Judgment.**

(Rev.1:18) and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

(Rev.9:1) Then the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him.

(Rev.20:1-2) Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

(Heb.9:28) so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without *reference to sin*, to those who eagerly await Him.

## **6. Jesus' presence in Hades witnessed to the fact of His exaltation to being seated in Session at the right hand of God the Father in heaven.**

(Acts 2:33) Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.

(Acts 5:30-31) The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

(Phil.2:9-11) For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **7. In session, Jesus was given all authority in heaven and on earth. He sits awaiting the Second Coming and Operation Footstool.**

(Eph.1:20-23) which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And He put all things in subjection under His feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

(Col.3:1-3) Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

(Psalms 110:1) "Sit until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."

(Acts 2:34-35) For it was not David who ascended into <sup>[a]</sup>heaven, but he himself says: "THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET."

(Gen.3:15) And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel."

(Rom.16:20) The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. the grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

### **Operation Footstool**

*"Sit until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."*

(Acts 2:34-35; Ps.110:1; Gen.3:15; Rom.16:20)

Satan and all fallen angels being removed from the earth and bound in Tartarus,  
the angelic prison spoken of in (2 Pet.2:4-5) and held for the 1000 years of the Millennium.

(Rev.20:1-3)

(Rev.7-10, 14)

(1Cor.15:23-28)

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