

The ‘I AM’ Sayings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This week we continue lessons which teach the almighty saving power of Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, “I am the Resurrection and the Life, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live”. John 11v25.

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 11v1-16 (Lazarus is very ill and dies)	
Monday	John 11v17-29 (Martha seeks the Lord for help)	
Tuesday	John 11v30-46 (The Lord raises Lazarus to Life)	
Wednesday	John 11v47-57 (The Pharisees’ murderous plans)	
Thursday	1 Corinthians 15v1-20 (Paul saw the risen Christ)	
Friday	1 Corinthians 15v21-41 (Enemy of Death destroyed)	
Saturday	1 Corinthians 15v42-58 (Christ’s victory gives us Life)	

Important Lesson for us Today: What is death?

The Bible speaks of 3 types of Death; 2 are certain for all, but the 3rd is for those who reject God.

- Spiritual death** - from our birth all are dead to God; we do not love Him or want Him in our life.
- Physical death** - the death of our body which ends this life - the gateway to eternity for our soul.
- Eternal death** - if we have not trusted that the Lord Jesus Christ suffered and died for our sins **before** our physical death then we must face God’s judgement for our sin (**Hebrews 9v27**), and be sent away from God, to Hell, for all eternity. Our conscience, which remembers all our sin, will show us the fairness and holiness of God, and that we deserve this punishment. (**Romans 2v15-16**).

Do not reject God as so many do today. Hear God’s gracious call and repent now, while you live. Have your sinful soul made perfect to enjoy Eternal Life with Him in His holy home, Heaven.

Hymn 278 – Tells us of The Lord Jesus Christ – He Who died to save - The Resurrected Lord: -

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| <p>1. Jesus lives! Thy terrors now
Can no longer, Death, appal us;
Jesus lives! By this we know,
Thou, O Grave, canst not enthral us.</p> <p>2. Jesus lives! Henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath,
When we pass its gloomy portal.</p> | <p>3. Jesus lives! For He died;
Then, alone to Jesus living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our Saviour giving.</p> <p>4. Jesus lives! Our hearts know well,
Nought from us His love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell,
Tear us from His keeping, ever.</p> |
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Jesus Christ Said, ‘I AM the Resurrection and the Life’

- **Where did Death come from?**
 - God created Adam with a perfect eternal soul – free to obey or disobey Him.
 - Adam clearly knew of God’s warning that he would die, both physically and spiritually, if he disobeyed God. **Genesis 2v16,17.**
But Adam wilfully sinned, and so: -
 - His soul’s intimate spiritual relationship with God died immediately.
 - His body aged over time and died later.
 - This event brought death into our world. We inherit Adam’s lost condition, and live sinful lives which deserve the Wages of Sin, Eternal Death. **Rom 6v23.**
 - Lazarus, a true Christian, and sincere follower of the Lord died physically. His Christian sisters knew the grief of losing a much-loved brother to death.
 - Not even Christians escape physical death - for themselves or losing a loved one.
- **Yet The Lord Jesus said, “I AM the Resurrection and The Life”.**
 - The Lord delayed healing Lazarus, allowing him to die physically, so that when He raised him from the dead, even after 4 days, it would demonstrate the absolute power that He had over: -
 - our physical death. Read **John 11v4, and v14.**
 - our eternal life. Read **John 11v24-26.**
 - Mary and Martha, believing this already, were much comforted. **John 11v24.**
 - Christ demonstrated His saving and resurrecting power when He gave up His life on the cross to save His People from their sins, and then by taking back His own life when He victoriously rose again on the 3rd day. **Matthew 27v50, Ch28v6.**
- **Wonderful News - There is a Way of Escape from Eternal Death!**
 - When we accept God’s free offer of forgiveness, mercy and love through sincere repentance and faith in Christ’s death for lost sinners on Calvary: -
 - Then our souls will have been made spiritually alive by Almighty God (**Born Again**) restoring us to a personal, living, and spiritual relationship with Him. **John 3v3-5.**
 - God tells us our name is in His ‘**Book of Life**’ - never to die spiritually again. **Rev 20v15.** Christ will save all His Elect, those for whom He died. **None will be lost. John 18v9.**
 - When we physically die, all believers will be given a resurrected body; free from all sin, illness, sadness, and pain - enabled to enjoy Eternal Life in Heaven, with the Lord, for ever.

Oh, what peace and joy! Now and for Eternity.

*The Lord Jesus said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life."
John 5v24.*