

INTRODUCTION - (v3-4) "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received; that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures"

1. THESE 3 FACTS OF THE GOSPEL

1) "Christ died for our sins"

Jesus foretold of this event 3 times: (Mark 8:31, 9:31, 10:32-34)

It happened for a purpose: "for our sins" (Matthew 1:21; Mark 10:45)

"Christ died" - (Luke 23:45-46) "And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit. Having said this, He breathed His last."

The word "death" means "separation." Something separates at death.

(Ecclesiastes 12:7) "dust will return to earth ... spirit will return to God ..."

2) "He was buried" - (Luke 23:50-53; John 19:38-39)

3) "And that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures"

(Luke 24:1-8) "Now on the first day of the week ... two men stood by them ... said to them, Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen ..."

Jesus now continues His ministry for 40 days and presents evidence proving His resurrection, and then He ascends into heaven.

2. NOTE TWO RELATED EVENTS

1) The Lord's Supper.

(Matthew 26:26-30) "... Jesus took bread ... My body ... then He took the cup ... For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins ..."

(1 Corinthians 11:23-26) "... do this in remembrance of Me ..."

We remember the death, burial, and resurrection every first day of the week in partaking of the Communion (Lord's supper). (Acts 20:7)

Jesus, and the New Testament writers, never told us to observe a holy-week or a once a year holy-day to observe His death, burial, resurrection.

2) Baptism for the remission of sins - (Acts 2:36-38; Romans 6:3-5)