



## CHRIST'S Death is Our Death

I Peter 3:18. For Christ also has once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

(Barclay) He underwent physical death, but in his spirit he was brought to life.

(Beck) . . .made alive in His spirit.

(Godbey) .. .quickened in spirit.\* (footnote: \*His own human spirit)

(Norlie) ... .made alive again in His spirit.

(Wuest) .. .made alive with respect to the spirit (His human spirit)....

(Knox) .. .endowed with fresh life in his spirit.

(RSV ,ASV ,NASV ,Alford ,Young ,Weymouth,Amplified) .. .made alive in the spirit.

(Concordant) . . .vivified in spirit.

(Rotherham) .. .made alive in spirit. (Centenary)

(Douay) .. .enlivened in the spirit.

(Confraternity) .. .he was brought to life in the spirit. (NEB)

(New Life,Laubach) .. .His spirit was made alive.

(Jordan) . . .his spirit was made very much alive.

(Marshall) . . .quickened. . .in [the] spirit.

If He was made alive in His spirit, He must have been spiritually dead.

Hebrews 2:9. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor, that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

(Knox) .. .he was to taste death, and taste it on behalf of all.

(NEB) . . .in tasting death, he should stand for us all.

(Diaglott) .. .by God's Favour, he might taste of Death on behalf of every one.

Isaiah 53:9. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death:\* because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

\*"Death" is plural in the Hebrew: "deaths."

Matthew 27:46. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

27:50. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

Jesus died twice; spiritually, then physically

Romans 6:23. For the wages of sin death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The wages of sin is first spiritual death (Genesis 2:17). Since Jesus was made to be sin, He of necessity died spiritually.

2 Corinthians 5:2 1For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

(Translator's NT) .. .God made him to be sin itself on our behalf....

(GNB) ... God made him share our sin in order that in union with him we might share the righteousness of God.

(NEB) .. .God made him one with the sinfulness of men....

(Knox) ... God made Him into sin for us....

He was so literally made sin in spirit that He had to be made righteous in spirit again:

I Timothy 3:16. And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

(Beck) .. .became righteous in spirit....

(Young) .. .declared righteous in spirit. ...

(20th Century) ... pronounced righteous in spirit....

(Weekes) .. .was made righteous in spirit....

(Knox) . . .justification won in the realm of the Spirit; a vision seen by angels.

"Manifested in the flesh" would include His birth to His actual physical death when He no longer was in the flesh. "Justified (made righteous) in spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles"

would all have to be in the spirit before He was raised from the dead physically because the Gentiles were not preached to in His earthly ministry—only the lost sheep of the house of Israel. "Believed on in the world" refers to His post-resurrection appearances; "received up into glory" is the Ascension. He was made righteous in spirit after He had first been made sin in spirit and died physically.

I Corinthians 1:30. But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption. He has been made (lit.) righteousness unto us, after having been made sin first.

Romans 6:6. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

( Weymouth, 20th Century, Amplified, New Berkeley, Laubach, Beck, Moffat, Goodspeed,

( Wade, Centenary, NASNT, NIV ) . . . our old self .

( Nearly all versions, lit. ) . . . was crucified.

"Our old self was crucified. . . so that our bodies. . ." It was the condition of our spirit that was crucified with Him. What was the condition of our old self?

Ephesians 2:1. And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

Romans 8:2. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

We were formerly dead ( spiritually ) in sin. This former condition of our spirit ( old self ) was crucified with Him. He became exactly what we were.

Ephesians 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, ( by grace ye are saved; )

(Way) . . . thrilled us with the same new life wherewith He quickened our Messiah.

(20th Century). . . gave Life to us in giving Life to the Christ.

( Amplified ) . . . He gave us the very life of Christ Himself, the same new life with which He quickened Him.

(Knox) . . . he, in giving life to Christ, gave life to us too

(Jordan) . . . God in his overflowing sympathy and great love breathed the same new life into us as into Christ

We and He were made alive together. This is not physical resurrection; verse 6 refers to that. If we were made alive together, then He was made alive at some time. If He was made alive, then He must have been spiritually dead.

Colossians 2:13. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses.

(20th Century) . . . to you God gave life in giving life to Christ!

( Knox ) And in giving life to him, he gave life to you too.

(Marshall Interlinear) . . . he co-quickened you with him .

Revelation 1:5. And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the firstbegotten of the dead.

(Weymouth). . . the first of the dead to be born to Life .

(Wade) . . . the First of the dead to be born into renewed Life.

(Noli) . . . the pioneer of the resurrection . .

(20th Century , 1st) . . . the First of the Dead to be born again .

Colossians 1:18. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead .

( Knox ) . . . it begins with him, since his was the first birth out of death .

(20th Century,1st) Being the first to be born again from the dead, he is the source of its life .

Acts 2:24. Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pangs of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

( New Berkeley) him God raised up by setting Him free from the pangs of death; for He- could not be held in its grip.

( Cunningham ) . . . whom God raised, relieving the birth-pangs of death . .

(Williams) . . . But God raised Him up by loosing Him from the pangs of death . .

( Plain English ) . . . having loosed the birth-pangs of death . .

(Marshall Interlinear) . . . Whom God raised up loosening the pangs of death . .

(Rotherham) . . . whom God raised up, loosing the pangs of death . .

(Weymouth) But God has raised Him to life, having terminated the throes of death . .

W.E.Vine, " pangs" Greek ODIN- a birth pang, travail pain, translated " sorrows" in Matthew 24:8

and Mark 13:8. Greek verb ODINO: "travail in birth "in Galatians 4:19, " travail upon a woman with

child "in Revelation 12:2 and in 1 Thessalonians 5:3. If God loosed Him from the pangs of death when

He raised Him up, the pangs of death would have to be spiritual because He was released from physical death pangs as soon as He left His body, three days before His resurrection. It is interesting to note that Catholic versions, based on other manuscripts, say "hades" instead of "death" (Jerusalem Bible) God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power.  
 ( Douay) Whom God hath raised up having loosed the sorrows of hell, as it was impossible that he should be holden by it.  
 ( Confraternity) . . . having loosed the sorrows of hell; because it was not possible that he should be held fast by it.

Jesus had a two-fold resurrection, from spiritual death and from physical death:

Acts 13:32-34. God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David.

(1) Spiritual: . . . this day have I begotten thee.

(2) Physical : "And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption. . .

(New Berkeley) But that He raised Him from the dead, never to return to decay, He has expressed this way.

( New Life ) . . . I have given you life today.\*

\*Remember Ephesians 2:5,6.

Acts 2:31. He, seeing this before, spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

(1) His soul was not left in hades. (2) Neither did his flesh see corruption.

(New Berkeley) . . . abandoned to the realm of the dead.

(Weymouth) . . . He was not left forsaken in the Unseen World.

( Rotherham) . . . neither was he abandoned unto hades. . .

( Translator's NT ) . . . he was not abandoned to Hades.

Job 25:4-6. . . . man that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm?

A worm is serpent-like. Man is a partaker of Satanic nature die to the fall : Jesus bore that nature.

John 3:14. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up.

Numbers 21:6-9. And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass he lived. .

The serpent was the likeness of the thing destroying the Israelites. Jesus became sin and died spiritually. The worm and the serpent denote union and harmony with the nature of the Adversary.