

Matthew

Chapter 28

Student

Contents: Resurrection of **JESUS**. **JESUS'** appearance in Galilee and “*The Great Commission*”.

Characters: **GOD**, **JESUS**, **HOLY SPIRIT**, 2 Marys, disciples.

Conclusion: **JESUS CHRIST** is declared to be **GOD** with power, as a result of **HIS** resurrection from the dead (Matthew 28:18; Romans 1:4) and by the acceptance of the **FATHER** of **HIS** atoning work on the cross. This propitiation (**substitutional atonement**) is permanently available to all of humankind for those who will receive it. Accepting this propitiation requires that we carry the message of salvation to all humankind (Matthew 28:19-20).

Key Word: Resurrection, 6.

Strong Verses: 6, 18, 19, 20.

Word Study:

Veracity – *noun*; conformity to facts; accuracy:

Apostle – G652 - ἀπόστολος apostolos ap-os'-tol-os
From G649; a *delegate*; specifically an *ambassador* of the Gospel; officially a *commissioner* of Christ (“apostle”), (with miraculous powers): - apostle, messenger, he that is sent.

G652 ἀποστέλλω apostello ap-os-tel'-lo
From G575 and G4724; set apart, that is, (by implication) to send out (properly on a mission) literally or figuratively: - put in, send (away, forth, out), set [at liberty].

Striking Facts: The resurrection is the center of all miraculous narratives. All of the miracles which occur are tied to this event. If **JESUS** did not literally rise from the grave, not only is **HIS veracity at stake**, but there is no need to:

- a. Preach (1 Corinthians 15),
- b. No need for Faith (1 Corinthians 15:14,17),
- c. The witness of the disciples is false (1 Corinthians 15:15),
- d. We are still separated from GOD because no sacrifice has made for our sins (1 Corinthians 15:17),
- e. Those who have died are gone forever (1 Corinthians 15:18), and,
- f. We have no hope (1 Corinthians 15:19)

However because **HE DID** rise from the grave.....we have eternal hope!

Questions:

1. Who were the first people to see the “risen” **JESUS**?
2. Who else saw the risen CHRIST?

3. Who were the first “commissioned” apostles?
message?

What was their

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4. What was the conspiracy regarding the resurrection?
 - a. Who was involved?
 - b. What was their purpose?
5. What was the response of the disciples when they saw **HIM**?
6. Where is the Great Commission found?

Bonus Question: Is believers required to perform “*The Great Commission*”?
Why/Why not?