

(RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA)

INTRODUCTION

The question with Job is not "will a man die" but "after man dies will he live again?"

BY EXPERIENCE JOB AND ALL OTHERS KNEW THAT ALL MEN WOULD DIE.

1. Gen. 2:17; "But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."
2. The death indicated here is obviously twofold; it involved;
 1. Physical death: The resolution of the body back to the dust of the ground. Gen. 2:7; 3:19.
 2. Spiritual death: Luke 15:24; Acts 17:26; Romans 5:12; 6:23; James 1:1:15.

"IF A MAN DIE, SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN is the big question

1. The Sadducees of that day were materialist.
 1. They held that death ended it all; holding that when "a man dies he is like little rover, dead all-over."
2. The Pharisees of that day.
 1. The Pharisees confess both: That man is spirit and that man will be raised up from the dead at some future time. Acts 23:8.

EXAMPLES OF THE THINKING OF SOME OLD TESTAMENT MEN

1. Noah must have had some thought as to the possibility of man living again. Luke 20:37, 38; 37-"Now that the dead are raised up, even Moses showed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Issac, and the God of Jacob. 38-For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him."
 1. This shows that these great men were still living some where in some form.
 2. These men had been a long time dead physically hence Jesus was saying:
 1. That there is a life after death.
 2. And with life after death then there will of necessity be a resurrection.
2. Abraham must have had some idea of God's power to raise up the dead.
 1. Hebrews 11:19; "Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure."
 2. Abraham must have had some idea about a future life with God. Hebrews 11:8-10
3. David must have had some idea about a resurrection and a future life.
 1. In 2 Samuel 12:23 of his dead baby David said, "I cannot bring him back again. I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."
3. Daniel must have belived that man would live again. Dan.12:2; "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

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THE BIG QUESTION

1. The big question, "If a man die, shall he live again?" recurs.
 1. In antediluvian times the translation of Enoch may have suggested to thoughtful minds the possibility of a resurrection and that man would live again. Gen 5:21-24; Heb 11:5.
2. Abraham armed with a hope for a better country, "looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." Heb 11:10
3. In the day of David the hope of a resurrection seems to have burned brighter and brighter. Psalms 16:11; "Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy, at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore." Psalms 17:15; "As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness."

NOT UNTIL THE TIMES OF THE GOSPEL IS THE QUESTION FULLY ANSWERED.

1. Christ affirmed it. John 5:28, 29.
2. Peter proved it. Acts 2:24-36
 1. Here Peter described David as a prophet who "spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither did his flesh see corruption." Acts 2:29-31.
3. Paul preached the resurrection.
 1. Acts 17:31; "Because he hath appointed a day, in which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance to all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead."
 2. Paul preached Christ and the resurrection and backed up his preaching by naming a great array of witnesses (1 Cor. 15:1-8).
1 Cor. 15:20-22; "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. 21-For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. 22-For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

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