

Power From on High

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- ## Four compelling truths that prove Jesus is the Messiah:

Peter reminded them that the miracles they witnessed were God's validation that He was their Messiah.

Both His death and the means by which it was accomplished was predetermined and foreknown God. (Acts 4:27-28)

24 "But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power. 25 "For David says of Him, 'I saw the Lord always in my presence; For He is at my right hand, so that I will not be shaken. 26 'Therefore my heart was glad and my tongue exulted; Moreover my flesh also will live in hope; 27 Because You will not abandon my soul to Hades, Nor allow Your Holy One to undergo decay. 28 'You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of gladness with Your presence.'

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29 “Brethren, I may confidently say to you regarding the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. 30 “And so, because he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn to him with an oath to seat one of his descendants on his throne, 31 he looked ahead and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that He was neither abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh suffer decay. 32 “This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.

This is an important text.

- 1 verse on the Lord's life
- 1 verse on the Lord's death
- 9 verses on the Lord's resurrection

The resurrection is mentioned at least 156 times in the N.T.
Acts explicitly mentions it 13 times.

Witnessing the resurrection was a qualification for apostleship. (Acts 1:22)

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NASB NIV - “But God”

KJV - “Whom God” (most accurate)

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“**agony**” [odin] - “ _____ ”

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4. Evidence of His _____

33 “Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.

Peter reminds them of Pentecost.

John 7:39 But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

34 “For it was not David who ascended into heaven, but he himself says: ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, 35 Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet.”’ (Psalm 110 :1)

David didn’t descend into heaven, the Lord did.

36 “Therefore let all the house of Israel know for **certain** that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.”

30 "And so, because he was a **prophet** and knew that God had sworn to him with an oath to seat one of his descendants on his throne,

"oath"

_____ Covenant

1. A reaffirmation of the _____ promises

2 Samuel 7:10 "I will also appoint a place for My people Israel and will plant them, that they may live in their own place and not be disturbed again, nor will the wicked afflict them any more as formerly,

2. David's _____ will succeed him as king of Israel.

Partially fulfilled in his son Solomon

12 "When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom.

3. _____ would become the ultimate heir to

David's thrown.

13 "He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom **forever**.

16 "Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me **forever**; your throne shall be established **forever**."

Matt. 24:8; Mk. 13:8; 1 Thess. 5:3

Why is His death depicted as "birth pains"?

The tomb that brought death became a womb that birthed _____.

Not the first death (Heb 9:27) but the second death (Rev. 21:8).

"it was impossible for Him to be held in it's power"

It was impossible for at least four reasons:

1. The resurrection was a divine promise.

John 2:19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

2. It was God's will that His people be with Him for all eternity.

John 14:19 "After a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me; because I live, you will live also.

3. He defeated the devil.

Hebrews 2:14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

4. It was a prophecy that had to be fulfilled.

25 "For David says of Him, 'I saw the Lord always in my presence; For He is at my right hand, so that I will not be shaken.

King David spoke of Jesus the Nazarene?

Interpreting prophecies

1. Prophetic foreshortening
2. Law of Double Reference
3. God puts His words in the mouth of prophets.

When David says "I" it is **Jesus** speaking.

When David says "I saw the Lord" he is referring to "the Father"

"always in my presence"

"at His right hand"

"I will not be shaken"

26 'Therefore my heart was glad and my tongue exulted; Moreover my flesh also will live in hope;

Hebrews 12:2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

"**flesh**" - "my flesh will live in hope"

"**will live**" "to pitch a tent" - The idea includes security and a lasting dwelling place

Jesus switches from the **aorist tense** as He anticipates the future, then switches to the **future tense** as He looks forward to the future resurrection.

27 Because You will not abandon my soul to Hades, Nor allow Your Holy One to undergo decay. (Psalm 16:10)
28 'You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of gladness with Your presence.'

Peter explains David's prophecy.

29 "Brethren, I may confidently say to you regarding the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

"**died**" / "**buried**" - No mention of a resurrection.