

## Resurrection and Life

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### INTRO:

#### I. → John 11:17-27

*17 On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. 18 Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, 19 and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. 20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.*

*→ 21 "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."*

*→ 24 Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the **resurrection** and the **life**. The one who **believes** in me will **live**, even though they **die**; 26 and whoever **lives** by **believing** in me will never **die**."*

### BODY:

#### I. Life in the Future

A. The greatest problem we face is the fear of death.

##### 1) Hebrews 2:14-15

*Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might . . . free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.*

##### 2) EPIC OF GILGAMESH—TABLETS 9 AND 10

a) The Tavern-keeper Siduru

The Ferryman Urshanabi

Utanapishtim the Faraway

b) "I am going to die!—am I not like Enkidu?!

Deep sadness penetrates my core,

I fear death, and now roam the wilderness.”

B. The resurrection of Jesus conquered death once for all.

1) **1 Corinthians 15:54**

*When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”*

2) **RUSSIAN SHIP MOSKVA AT THE BOTTOM OF BLACK SEA**

## II. Life in the Present

A. The eternal God has changed time and space forever.

1) **John 5:16**

*“Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.”*

a) has eternal life (present tense)

b) has crossed over (perfect tense)

2) **WAITING IN WHITE ROBES ON THE HILL**

B. Life everlasting changes the life we live right now.

1) **John 3:16**

*“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (KJV)*

2) Eternal, everlasting, forever

a) Greek—a period of timelessness

b) Hebrew—a period of indefinite end

3) **AVENGERS END GAME—IRON MAN DYING**

a) Grk (*Thánatos*) death

### III. Life to the Fullest

A. Now that death has been conquered, how will we live life.

1) **John 10:10**

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*

2) **PASCAL'S WAGER—THE COROLLARY**

#### **OTHER SCRIPTURES:**

Genesis 3:8

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

Galatians 6:8

Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

Matthew 19:29

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life.

Luke 23:42-43

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

John 10:27-28

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

1 Timothy 4:8

For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.