

Why Jesus' Resurrection Te Aranga is such a significant event for all Christians

6 It was on the basis of Jesus' resurrection that Paul preached, "Through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin" (Acts 13:38-39).

7 Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life" (John 11:25), and in that statement claimed to be the source of both. There is no resurrection apart from Christ, no eternal life. Jesus does more than give life; He is life, and that's why death has no power over Him.

8 Jesus' resurrection guarantees that the bodies of those who believe in him will not remain dead but will be resurrected to eternal life.

9 Jesus gives his life to those who trust in Him, so that they can share in his triumph over death (1 John 5:11-12). We who believe in Jesus Christ will personally experience resurrection because, having the life Jesus gives, we have overcome death.

10 Jesus is "the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Corinthians 15:20). In other words, Jesus led the way in having life after death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ is important as a testimony to the resurrection of human beings, which is a basic belief of the Christian faith.

