

Living a Resurrected Life: A Life of Praise

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[Luke 24:36-53](#)

36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." 37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." 40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41 And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence. 44 He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." 50 When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. 52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. 53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

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1. INCOMPREHENSIBLE PEACE

[Luke 24:36](#) While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

[Philippians 4:4-7](#)

4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5... 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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2. SINCERE BELIEF

[Luke 24:38-39](#) He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

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3. SUPERNATURAL POWER

[Luke 24:49](#) I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

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4. ADORING WORSHIP

[Luke 24:51-52](#) While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. Then they worshiped him...

[Matthew 28:9](#) (the women after the resurrection)

Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clashed his feet and worshiped him.

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5. INEXPRESSIBLE JOY

[Luke 24:52](#) Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

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6. SACRIFICIAL PRAISE

[Luke 24:53](#) And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

[Hebrews 13:15](#) Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise — the fruit of lips that confess his name.