

## **Jesus' Resurrection** (Fact vs Fictional Theories)

- I. Introduction.
  - A. What is the greatest miracle ever?
  
  - B. What is your strongest reason for the resurrection?
  
- II. Scripture.
  - A. **Luke 24:1-49**—
  
  - B. **1Cor. 15:3-6**—
  
- III. Application.
  - A. Resurrection (Fact or fiction)? Strong reasons to believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
    - 1. **Biblical authority.**
  
    - 2. **Eye-witness credibility.**
  
    - 3. **Circumstances.**
  
    - 4. **Theological reasons.**
  
    - 5. **Best theories against the resurrection.**
      - a. **Wrong Tomb**—Everyone forgot and continued to go to the wrong tomb, so Jesus' dead body was really in a different tomb and He did NOT rise from the dead.

- b. **Hallucination**—Jesus did NOT rise, people just thought they saw him around 3-days after He died because many said they did.
- c. **Stolen Body**—Disciples sneaked pass the soldiers, stole and hid His body somewhere else, He really did NOT rise again, His body was just moved.
- d. **Swoon**—Jesus was not really dead, He just pretended to be, and just walked out of the grave.

6. **Numbers who believe in the resurrection.**

7. **Jesus' resurrection has changed me forever.**

B. Do you believe that Jesus is the resurrection and the life? **Acts 17:32** says, "*And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, 'We will hear thee again of this matter.'*"

C. How does or should that make you live differently each day?