

2012 “Easter Special” (#04)
“He’s Alive!”

This is the fourth lesson of our Easter Special. We have studied **The Sign of Jonah** from (Matt.12:38-41) and **The Open Graves** from (Matt.27:45-54) and **The First Easter Service in Hell** from (1 Pet.3:18-22).

Today’s lesson will study the doctrinal fulfillment by Jesus Christ of these **four shadow Christology Jewish holidays and I will show how they relate to the New Covenant Church Age doctrines.**

**This Easter I want us to focus on how we can know personally that Jesus Christ is alive.
It is revealed in our lesson passage and (Gal.2:20).**

The four shadow Christology Jewish holidays are “Passover”, “Unleavened”, “First Fruits” and “Pentecost”(which occurred 50 days from First Fruits) (14 Nisan) - [15-17 Nisan - 18 Nisan - 19-21 Nisan]

1. Passover (1 Cor.5:7; John 1:29); (Ex.12:6 – Eucharist) (1 Cor.11:24-25) – Christ the Passover

(6 hours on cross) (Heb.9:26b) “But now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.”

Body (Heb.10:5, 10, 20; 1 Pet.2:24; 1 Cor.11:24) [**Do in remembrance of Me**]

- **Virgin Birth** (Luke 1:34-35; Matt.1:20-21) Born outside the slave market of AOS
- **Impeccable** (2 Cor.5:21; 1 John 3:5) Perfect sacrifice for sins of world
- **Hypostatic union** (Phil.2:6-8) Undiminished deity and true humanity
- **Celebrity** (resurrection-ascension)
 - Head of Church (Eph.1:20-23)
 - Prince and Savior (Acts 5:31)
 - Mediator (1 Tim.2:4-6)
 - High Priest (Heb.8:1)
 - Advocate (1 John 2:1)
 - Chief Shepherd (1 Pet.5:4)
 - Chief Cornerstone (Eph.2:20-21).

Blood (1 Cor.11:25) [**do in remembrance of Me**]

- **Redemption** (1 Pet.1:18-19) Redeemed with precious blood of unblemished and spotless lamb
- **Reconciliation** (Col.1:20) Reconciled to peace with God through blood of His cross
- **Justification** (Rom.5:9) Justified by His blood and saved from God’s wrath
- **Propitiation** (Rom.3:24-25; 1 John 2:2) Propitiation in His blood through faith
- **Forgiveness** (Eph.1:7) Redemption through His blood the forgiveness of our trespasses
- **Cleansing** (1 John 1:7-9) The blood of Jesus His Son cleanses and forgives us of all sins
- **Peace with God** (Eph.2:13-15) Formerly far off now brought near by the blood of Christ
- **New Covenant** (Luke 22:20; Heb.9:15) Cup is the new covenant in His blood
- **Victory in Angelic conflict** (Rev.12:11) Overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb

2. **Unleavened bread (1 Cor.5:6-8; Matt.12:40) – Christ the Unleavened (3 days and 3 nights in burial)**

When Jesus died on the cross His spirit returned to the Father (Luke 23:46) and His soul went to Sheol (Ps.16:10; 1 Pet.3:18-22). Peter explains that Jesus was made alive by the Holy Spirit to minister in Sheol –

(1 Pet.3:18b) “Having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit.”

It was this Holy Spirit that raised Him from the dead:

(Rom.8:11) “But if (1cc/ true) the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, (then/ true) He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”

(Rom.6:4) “Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.”

How do we know that Jesus Christ is alive in us? (Gal.5:16; James 1:14-15; Gal.5:22-23; 1 Cor.13:4-8)

3. **First Fruits (1 Cor.15:20-23; Acts 26:23) – Christ the First Fruits (40 days in post-resurrection)**

He is also called the firstborn from the dead (Col.1:18; Rev.1:5).

Unemployed Jewish priest were being saved by the gospel (Matt.27:51-54; **Acts 6:7**; 4:1-4 –“Proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead.”).

After His resurrection on First Fruits (Sunday), Jesus appeared over the next 40 of the 50 days to Pentecost.

After 40 days, He ascended back to the third heaven for a 10 day ceremony pertaining to being seated at the right hand of God with ruling authority (Luke 15:6, 10; Acts 1:1-11; 2:25-36; 4:12, 18-22; 5:27-32, 41; Eph.1:18-23; 2:5-7).

This ceremony became His celebrity ship (note point one, body)

(Heb.2:9b) “Because of the suffering of death **crowned with glory and honor**, that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.” (Phil.2:8-11) (God highly exalted Him).

4. **Pentecost (Eph.1:20-23; Col.1:18) – Christ the Head of Church**

The first act of Jesus in session was to fulfill the promise of baptizing with Holy Spirit (Matt.3:11; Acts 1:4-5; 2:33).

Jesus had taught on the church age ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Upper Room Discourse (John 14-17; John 14:1-6, 16-17, 26; 15:26-27; 16:5-16, 28-33).

(John 16:7) “But I tell you the truth, it is to our advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.” (John 16:7)

In the church age, the Holy Spirit does these eight salvation works the moment a person believes the gospel (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16).

Adopted as children of God (Rom.8:14-17)
Baptism into Christ (Gal.3:26-29)
Indwells body as temple (1 Cor.6:19-20)
Regeneration heir of God (Titus 3:5-7)

Sanctification by Spirit and faith (2 Thess.2:13-14)
Seals and earnest as a pledge of God (Eph.1:13-14)
Spiritual gift ministry in the church 1 Cor.12:11-12)
Spiritual life in mortal body (Rom.8:10-11)