

Discipleship Guide
Lesson 12
Resurrection into Eternal Life

"I believe in . . . the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."

As a result of studying this lesson, the student will:
(1) hope for final restoration at the return of messiah;
(2) understand the importance of sharing the good news of Y'shua with others.

Old Testament Perspective

Comment and Reading

The student should review lessons 6 and 7, on Jesus' resurrection and second coming. Then read Daniel 12. This chapter describes the day when the Jewish people will be delivered from great trouble. After reading the text, answer the following questions:

1. Who stands watch or guard over the Jews?
2. Who will be delivered "at that time"?
3. To what possible ends do Daniel's people go?
4. How long does life last?
5. How long do both shame and desolation last?

Comment

In verse 3 Daniel says, "Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever."

The Bible writers were convinced that it was worth giving everything they had to help other people discover joy and salvation. Proverbs 11:30 reads, "He who wins souls is wise." James ends his epistle with "If anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins" (5:19-20). This is the reason we go out to evangelize, even among people who do not specifically call upon us.

Jesus' Perspective

Reading

The student should read John 11 and answer the following questions:

6. What did Martha know for certain when Jesus said: "Your brother will rise again."?

7. What extraordinary claim did Jesus make of himself?
8. Who shall live, even though he or she has died?

Death, Where Is Your Sting?

Comment and Reading

In lesson 6 we read the first half of 1 Corinthians 15. Now read the whole chapter. In verse 20, Paul calls the risen Christ “the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.” After reading the text, answer the following questions:

9. As we have taken on the image of Adam, whose image shall we also bear?
10. What mystery does Paul tell his readers?
11. What will our mortal bodies put on?
12. For what should we thank God?

Reading

The student should read 1 Thessalonians 5 and answer the following questions:

13. With what is the return of Christ compared?
14. Will the unbelievers escape the return of Messiah?
15. Paul uses the term, we are “of the day” meaning we are *aware*. He tells us to put on some items in verse 8. List them and comment on them. Why might they be important?
16. As a result of understanding the return of Jesus, what will be our emotional and spiritual exercise be toward one another? (verse 11)
17. Will any of our lives be preserved with blame when Y’shua returns? (verse 22-4)

Memory Verse: John 11:25-26

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.”

Conclusion

Mazel tov! You have successfully completed all the lessons of *Believing Right: A Jewish Believer's Discipleship Guide*. We trust that you will continue to grow in Christ as you study God's Word each day. Additional vital aspects of the Christian faith are not covered in the Apostles' Creed, but are found in Book One of this series, *Starting Right: A Jewish Believer's Discipleship Guide*. Baptism, personal and corporate prayer, dealing with families, and other topics for the Jewish believer are also covered in the Jews for Jesus publication *The Growth Book* (Purple Pomegranate Productions, 1994). We recommend that you contact your local Christian bookstore or Jews for Jesus to obtain this or any of our other publications.