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Part One

No Doubt You Have Heard

No doubt you have heard it said that "the resurrection is an instantaneous event – poof – we instantly disappear!"

Scripture uses several Greek words for raise, rise, arise, arose, or resurrection.

The primary words are: Egeiro [G1453], and anistemi [G450]

Both egeiro and anistemi indicate that the resurrected person then appears in public – they do not instantly disappear.

Egeiro [G1453 έγείρω]

Egeiro means – to arouse from the sleep of death, to recall the dead to life, to cause to appear, and bring before the public – **not to instantly disappear.**

Egeiro is frequently used in many verses in Corinthians, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Paul uses this to describe both the resurrection of the dead in Yeshua and Yeshua's resurrection.

Matthew 27:64 — He has been raised^{G1453} from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:12 — He rose^{G1453} from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:20 — Christ has been raised^{G1453} from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:32 — If the dead are not raised^{G1453}.

1 Corinthians 15:42 — What is raised^{G1453} is imperishable.

1 Corinthians 15:43 — When raised^{G1453} it will be beautiful; and it will be strong: it will be raised^{G1453} a spiritual body.

1st Corinthians 15:52 – For the shofar will sound, and the dead will be raised^{G1453} to live forever.

Acts 4:10 — God raised^{G1453} Yeshua from the dead.

Anistemi [G450 ἀνίστημι]

Anistemi means — to raise up from the dead and cause to appear to enter into conversation or dispute with anyone — not to instantly disappear.

This word comes from histemi G2476: to rise up in the presence or midst of others.

Paul uses anistemi in 1Thessalonians 4:16 to say the dead in Yeshua rise first.

Romans 14:9 – Yeshua both died, and rose^{G450}.

Acts 10:41 — He rose^{G450} from the dead.

Ephesians 5:14 – "Awake, O sleeper! Rise^{G450} from the dead.

1Thessalonians 4:16 – the dead in Yeshua will rise^{G450} first.

Anastasis [G386 ἀνάστασις]

A third word used is anastasis G386: (literally) a resurrection from death.

Again, this word, translated rise, indicates a resurrection and return to community.

Acts 26:23 – The Messiah would be the first to rise^{G386} from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:42 – It is the same with the resurrection ^{G386} of the dead.

Conclusions

In short, the Biblical words used for rise, arise, rose, etc. do not give one single definition of a resurrection being an instant disappearance event – all definitions indicate the person is returned alive into the community.

The Bible only asks for two witnesses to establish a fact!

Fact: the resurrection is a witnessed event.

Instant disappearance is an unsound teaching.

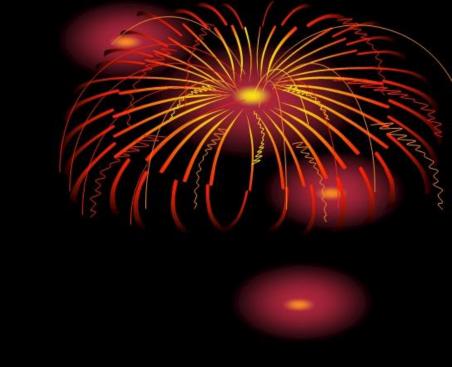
Y'varekh'kha Yahweh v'yishmerekha Ya'er Yahweh panav eleikha vichunekka Yissa Yahweh panav eleikha v'yasem l'kha shalom

Yahweh blesses you, and keeps you;

Yahweh makes His face shine upon you, and is gracious to you;

Yahweh lifts up His countenance upon you, and makes you whole.

Thank you for attending this teaching on



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