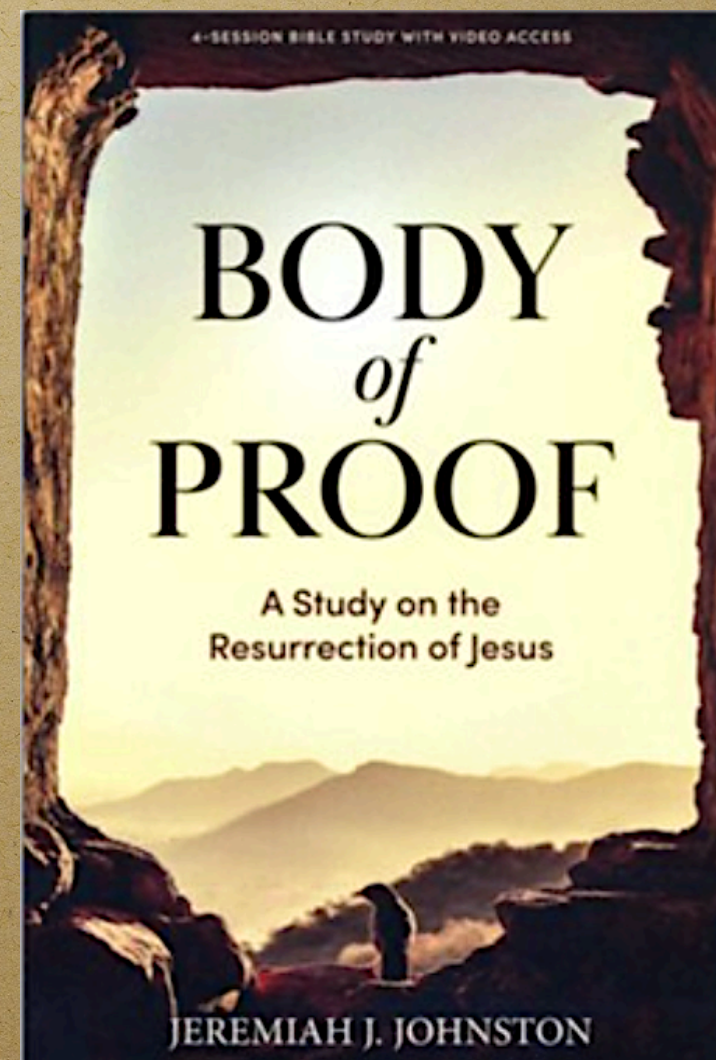
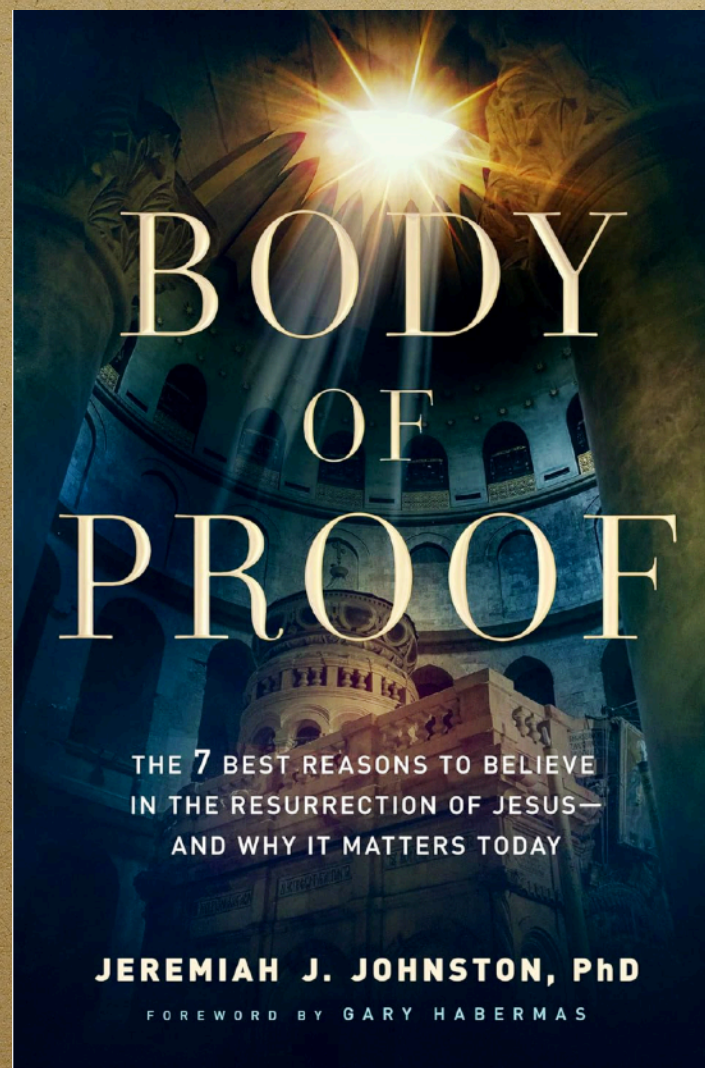


Body of Proof



Why Study the Resurrection?

- The resurrection of Jesus is the central focus of our New Testament Scripture.
- There are over 300 verses referencing this truth.
- The early church spread the gospel, which was the “good news” of the resurrection of Jesus.
- We also need to be resurrection-centric today.

Why Study the Resurrection?

- The resurrection was the key to their ethics (1 Corinthians 15:58-16:1).
- The resurrection faith brought hope in the moments of worldly despair (2 Corinthians 1).
- Resurrection faith caused the earliest followers of Jesus to become the greatest force for God on earth (Galatians 3:28).

First Session

- The theme of this session is:
- Replacing my “If Onlys” with “If Jesus.”
- John 11:21-23 - Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”

First Session Video



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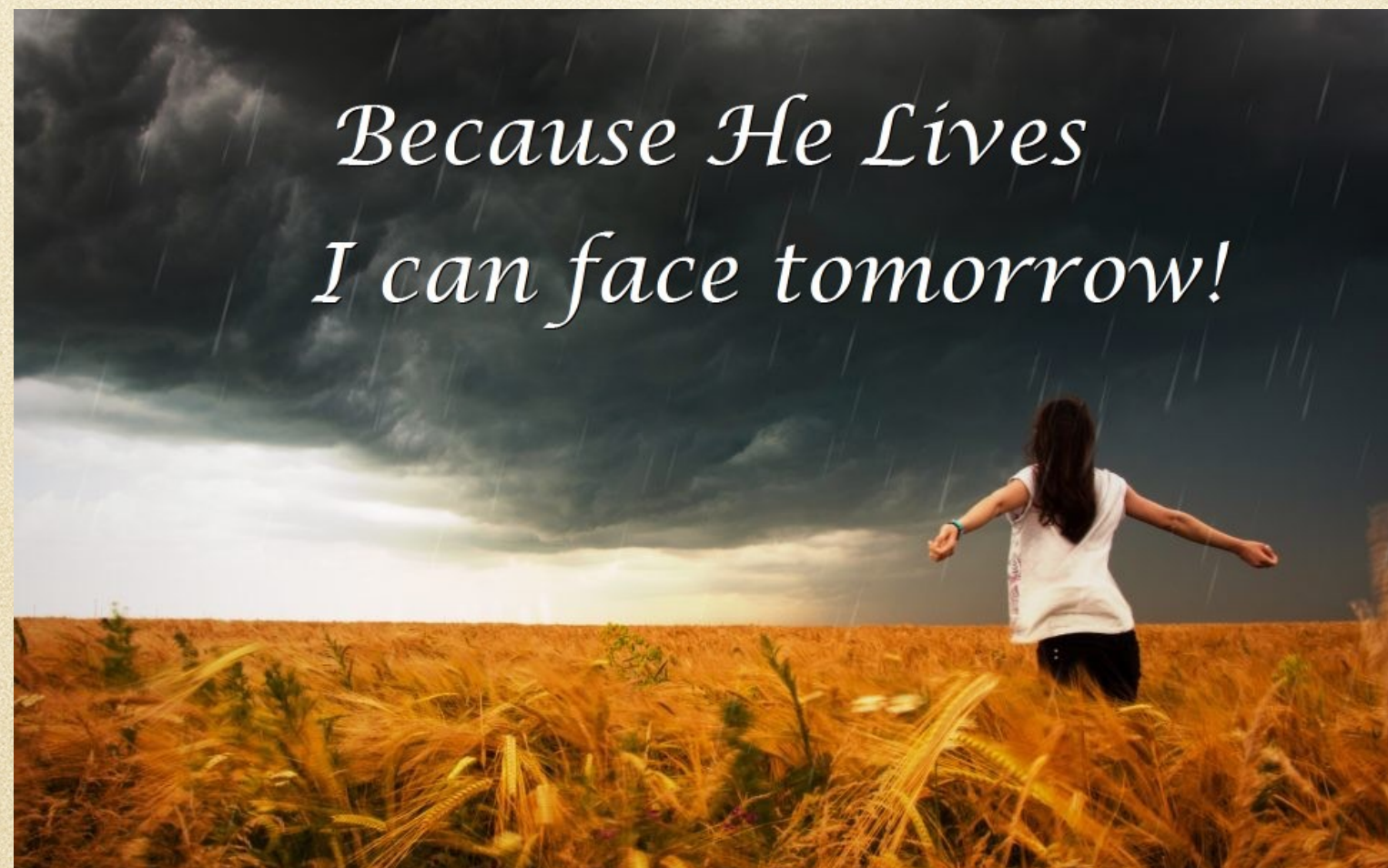
- When Jesus raised Lazarus, He demonstrated that His claims about being the resurrection is life.
- Jesus interrupted the physical death of Lazarus and showed that He has interrupted spiritual death for all who place their hope in Him.
- We turn from our “if only” to “if Jesus.”

Observations

- This story also reminds us that even the closest friends of Jesus experienced pain and adversity (verse 1-5).
- Instead of being stuck in the past, Jesus wants us to look to the future (verses 9-10).
- For the Christian, death is no more than sleep, and that means we have nothing to fear.

Observations

- Our faith helps us trust God through uncertainty (verse 16).



Observations

- Faith is taking God at His Word and acting accordingly.
- Our relationship with Jesus Christ is not based on feelings but on faith, which is based on the facts of Scripture.
- This study will provide us with more certainty in our faith in Jesus Christ.

He Called It

- I can trust the resurrection because, JESUS CALLED IT.
- Jesus made significant passion predictions:
 - He would suffer and die.
 - He would be resurrected “after three days” (Matthew 27:63; Mark 8:31, 9:31, 10:34) or “on the third day” (Luke 18:33).

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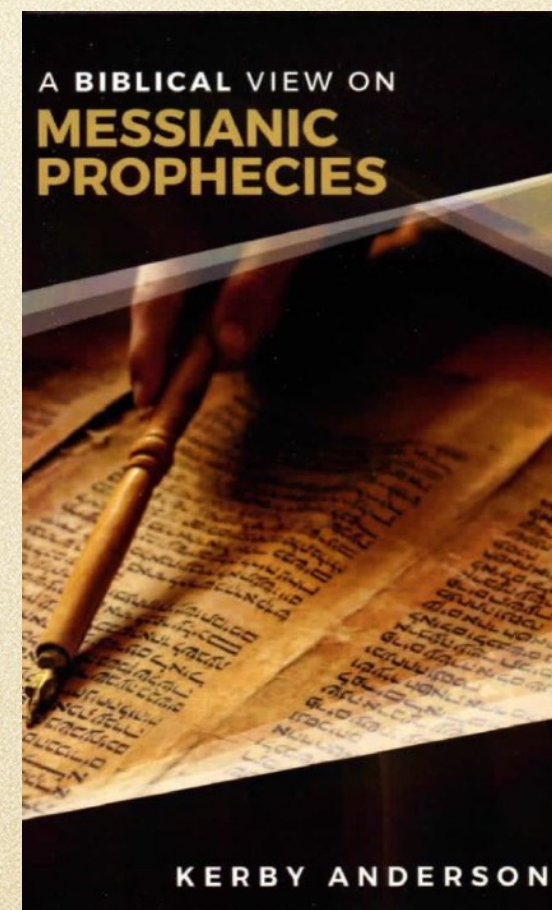
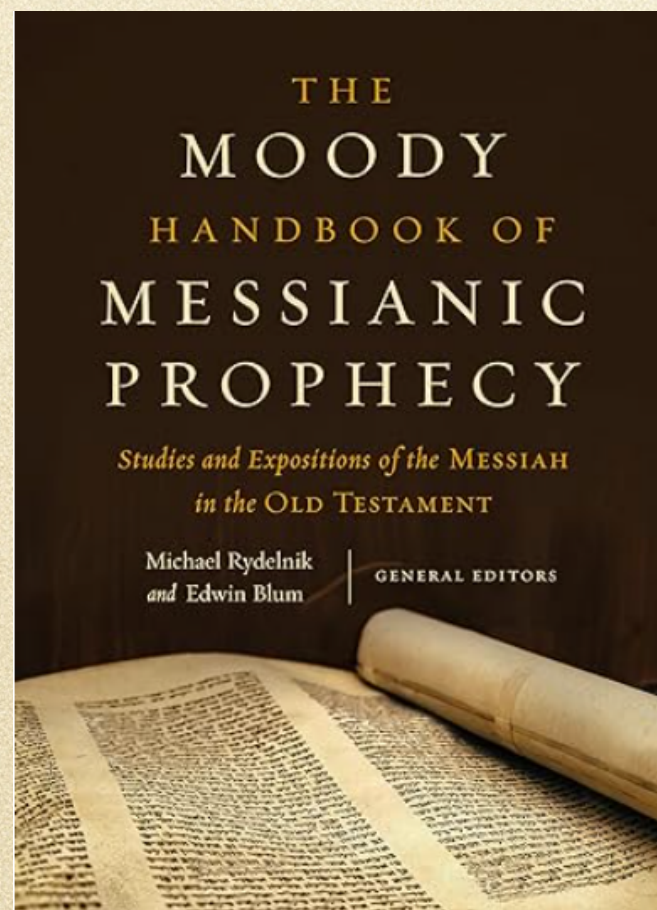
- Mark 8:33 - And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again.
- Mark 9:33 - for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

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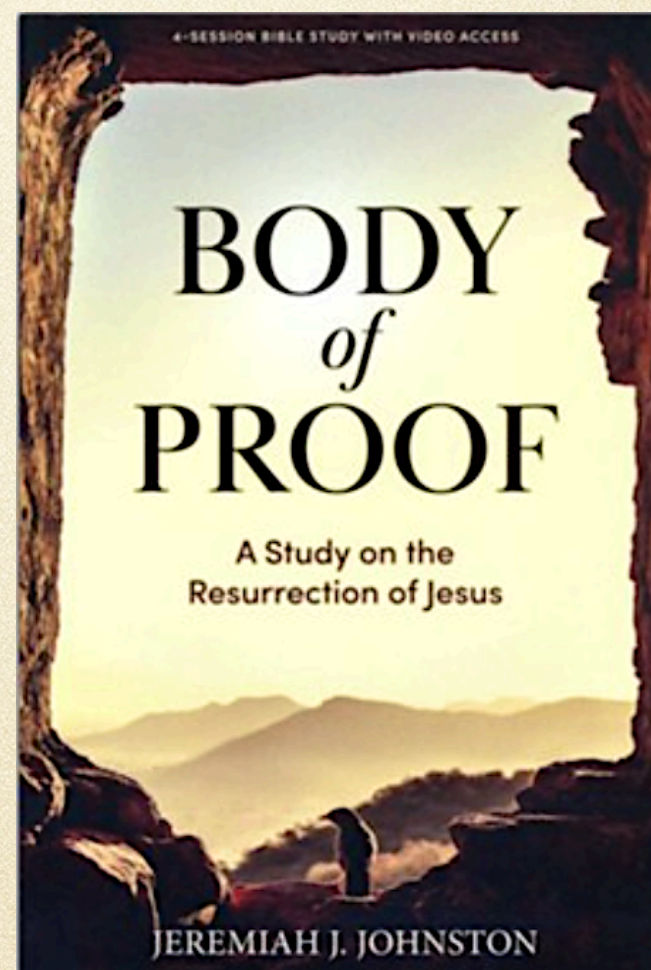
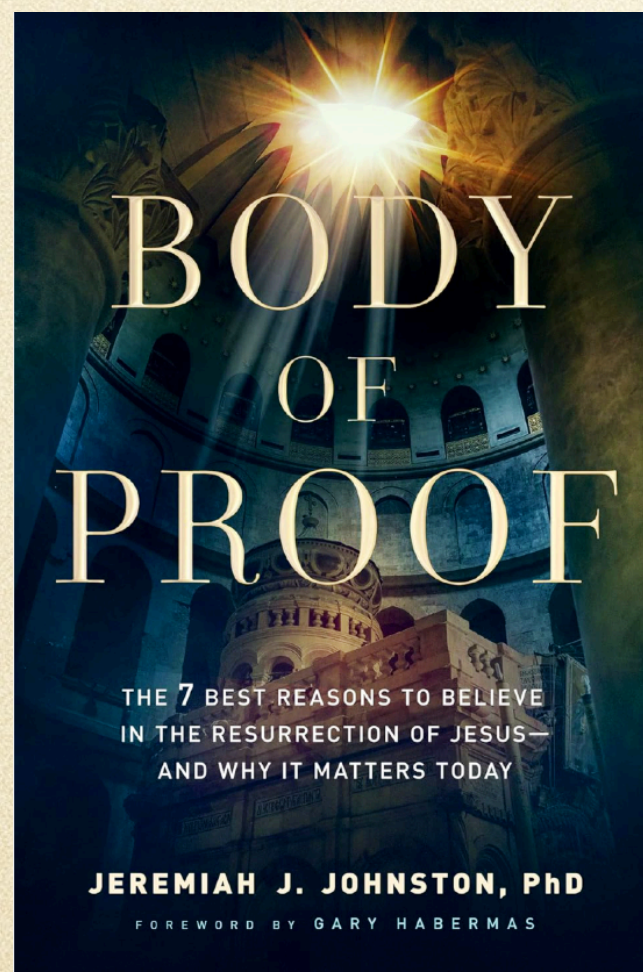
- Mark 10:33-34 - "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

Messianic Prophecy

- The passion predictions of Jesus match up with the Old Testament prophecies of the coming Messiah.



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