REDISCOVER JESUS, PART 75: "THE CERTAINTY OF THE RESURRECTION" LUKE 20:27-40

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Let's live by faith in the resurrection age to come.

I. The Sadducees denied and ridiculed the resurrection (vv. 27-33)

²⁷ There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸ and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰ And the second ³¹ and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³² Afterward the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

II. Jesus clarified and defended the resurrection (vv. 34-40)

³⁴ And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶ for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷ But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹ Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰ For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

<u>Hebrews 11:10, 13, 16 (NLT)</u>: Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God.... All these people died still believing what God had promised them. They did not receive what was promised, but they saw it all from a distance and welcomed it. They agreed that they were foreigners and nomads here on earth.... But they were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

Suggestions for being in God's Word (to understand, believe, and be transformed by it:

- 1. Start a Bible Reading Plan
- 2. Join a Bible study group
- 3. Talk about God's Word with one another
- 4. Commit to daily family worship
- 5. Regularly join our corporate gatherings