

RESURRECTION

The hope of all mankind and the promise to the Christian is the resurrection from the dead. The bible refers to (1) the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead and the pioneer of our salvation; (2) the resurrection of the saints - called the "first resurrection" - at the return of Christ when the true believers shall become spirit-composed members of God's family; (3) the resurrection back to physical life for all who have ever died without having understood God's way, for their first opportunity for salvation; (4) the resurrection of the incorrigibly wicked - those who have refused to repent and have rejected God's way - to be consumed in the lake of fire (called the "second death"), Which includes Satan the devil.

John 5:28-29; Acts 2:32; Romans 8:11; 1 Corinthians 15:20; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Revelation 20: 4-6, 13-14