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- **Matthew 22:31-32 / Mark 12:26-27**
 - **Cited in an attempt to prove that Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are not dead, but alive in heaven, now.**
 - **Their promise has been received, without a resurrection.**
 - **Context & Other Scripture provide proper understanding**

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■ John 3:13

- “No one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven: the Son of Man.”

■ Acts 2:34

- “David did not ascend into the heavens...”

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■ Resurrections

- Resurrection is the full return to life of a human being who has died.
- Resurrections include a special new indestructible eternal body (i.e. Jesus Christ – I John 3:2)
- Resurrections include returning to the original physical life, before the person died.

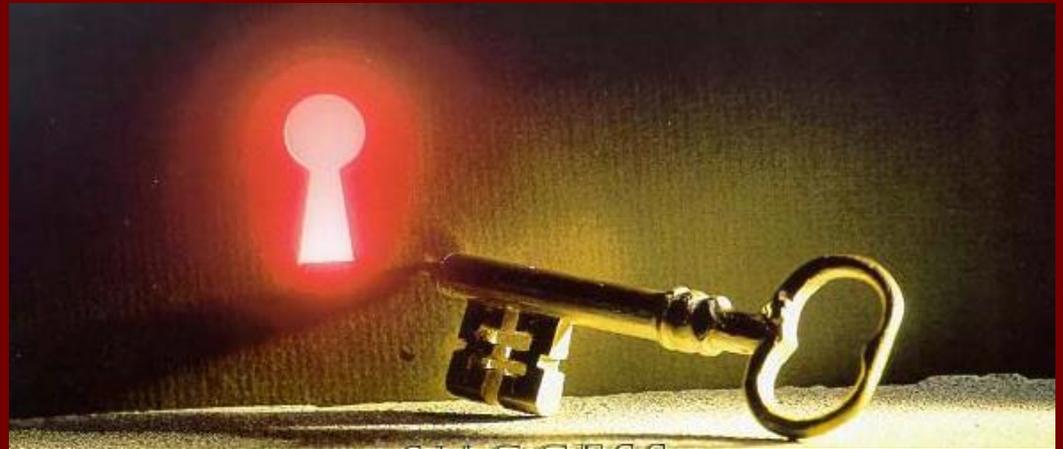
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■ Biblical Resurrections to Physical Life

- The widow's son by Elijah (I Kings 17:19-24)
- The Shunammite's son by Elisa (II Kings 4:32-35)
- A man whose body had been placed in Elisha's tomb (II Kings 13:21)
- Lazarus by Jesus Christ (John 11:43-44)
- The rulers' daughter by Jesus Christ (Matthew 9:23-26)

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- **Biblical Resurrections to Physical Life**
 - A number of people at the moment of Jesus Christ's death (Matthew 27:51-53)
 - Eutychus raised back to life through Paul after he fell out of a third-floor window (Acts 20:9-10)
 - Tabitha by Peter (Acts 9:36-43)



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■ Matthew 22:23-32

– Context of the passage

- God would not claim to be the God of someone who no longer exists
- Jesus Christ combats and refutes Sadducees belief that angels and spirits did not exist
- Power of God the Father and Jesus Christ to perform physical and spiritual resurrections



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■ **Hebrews 11:13, 39-40**

- The faithful people listed in Hebrews 11 have not received the promise of Eternal Salvation / Kingdom of God, nor the resurrection to Life, yet.

■ **I Corinthians 15:50-54; 16, 18**

- We cannot receive the Eternal Inheritance, until we receive Eternal Life through a Resurrection

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■ Purposes for the Resurrections

– Revelation 20:4-5, 11-13

- Reward and Judgment.

– II Corinthians 4:3-4

- Remove the blinding of the mind by Satan, which was allow by God.

– I Corinthians 15:54-57

- Remove Sin and Death (Penalty of Sin)

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- **What Will The Outcome of Our Resurrection?**
 - **John 5:25-30**
 - **Unto Life or Condemnation / Judgment?**

