

## Question 137

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**Q137. Did Christ remain in the tomb after His crucifixion?**

**A137. No; He rose from the tomb on the third day after His death.**

*Scripture Base:* Matt 12:38-40;

Luke 23:50 - 24:53; 1 Cor. 15:1-8, 13-22;

*Doctrine:* WCF 8:4 SC 25, 28

### Supplementary Questions

1. Why did Jesus need to die?

2. What happened to Jesus after He was crucified?

3. What happened after the three days?

4. Why is the resurrection important?

Song: Choose a resurrection hymn

### Teaching Notes

Review: *Q54.* What kind of death did Jesus die? – *The painful and shameful death of the cross.* *Q136.* Who should partake of the Lord Supper? - *Only those who repent of their sins, believe in Christ for salvation, and love their fellow men.*

Story : Luke 23:50 - 24:53

### Questions.

1. "The wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23). Every sin deserves eternal death or hell. We had sinned and deserved death (Rom. 3:23; Isa. 53:6). In order to save us, Jesus had to pay the price for our sins (2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pet. 3:18).
2. He was taken down from the cross and prepared for burial (John 19:38-40). Then He was laid in a tomb (vv. 41-42) and remained dead for three days, as He told His the scribes and Pharisees He would be: "For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth" (Matt. 12:40).
3. Jesus was raised again to life (Matt. 27:64-28:6). He appeared to His disciples and to more than 500 at one time (1 Cor. 15:1-8). These became His witnesses to the fact He was alive.
4. If Jesus had not been raised, then He would still be under the power of death; He would not have overcome death (1 Cor. 15:13-22). If He had not overcome death for Himself, He would not be able to save us from it either.

Gospel: Each one of you has sinned and deserves death. When Adam chose to sin in the garden, he made that choice for you. You are guilty of his sin (Rom. 5:12, 18). Since you've been born, you've also sinned many times in your thoughts, words, hearts, and in the things you've done (Rom. 3:10-12). Each one of your sins deserves death. Jesus is the only one who has ever overcome death. Everyone who has ever been born into this world has died and remained in the grave, except Jesus (excepting those few He took directly to heaven). This means that if you want to be free from the power of death, you must trust in Jesus. *He is the only way.* If you trust Him to save you, He'll not only raise your body to life when He comes again, He will also keep you from the just punishment you deserve in hell. He will hold on to you and keep you safe forever. Don't risk falling forever into hell. Take hold of His hand and trust Him to save you.

Activity: 3 days worksheet

Song: Resurrection hymn