Wonderfully Made Series Study #4: Power to Resurrect & DNA Bible Sermon Study Notes by Cary Rodgers, pastor

Jesus is our hope. Jesus is our victory. Jesus is our guide. Jesus is our strength. Jesus is our peace. Jesus is our power. Jesus is our life.

Psalms 106:1

1 Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

In the midst of persecution and trial or the death a mother, father, son, or daughter Jesus gives us promises and the encouraging words of peace.

John 14:1-3

1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Jesus will keep us in PERFECT PEACE when we keep our minds on Him. He is our everlasting strength and power only if we put ALL our TRUST in Him.

Isaiah 26:3, 4

3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed *on thee:* because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

When we experience the death of a loved one we are sad of the loss but God reminds us of the promise. The grave does not have the victory of those who have died in Christ.

When Martha was mourning the death of Lazarus, what did Jesus tell her? John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said unto her, **I am the resurrection**, and **the life**: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

Do you believe that Jesus has all power to resurrect from death to LIFE?

Death has no power for those in Christ. Those who die in Christ their death is like a sleep, resting peacefully within the grave. Jesus won the victory over death when He rose again from the grave.

Remember Jesus is the Creator of Life and every living cell in you, ONLY He has the power to resurrect the dead. Only He has the breath that sparks life in us.

1 Corinthians 15:54-55

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? When will the resurrection of the dead in Christ take place? Here is another promise. These are the words of comfort.

1 Thessalonians **4:13-18**

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

We will shed some tears because the pain of losing your mamma, daddy, children, sister or brother can be so great because will miss them temporarily. But our sorrow or crying is not like those who have no hope. We have HOPE in the resurrection. One day soon and very soon DEATH will be swallowed up forever. **No more coffins. No more funerals. No more burials. No more tombstones.** When Jesus comes again we will be reunited with our loved ones in Christ. The second coming of Jesus will be the greatest reunion for those love ones who have been resting in the elements of the earth and resurrected! Amen.

In the Bible Jesus gives us examples of his power to resurrect those who have died:

God used Elijah to bring the son of the woman of Zarephath back to life:

1 Kings 17:17, 21 - 23

17 And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.

21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.

22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.

23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.

God used Elisha to bring son of the Shunammite woman back to life:

2 Kings 4:32-35

32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed. 33 He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the LORD.

34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm.

35 Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

During Jesus' ministry on this earth He displayed His power to resurrect the dead:

12 year old girl:

Mark 5:39, 41-42

39 And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.

41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.

42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was of the age of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.

Son of the woman of Nain during a funeral possession:

Luke 7:12-15

12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her.

13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

14 And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.

15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

Lazarus:

John 11:11, 14, 39, 43-44

11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.

14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

John 11:39

39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

While Paul was preaching late into the night a young man fell to his death when he fell asleep in the window from the third loft of the building. What happened to the young man?

Acts 20:8-10,12

8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.

9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep:

and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.

12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

From the smallest cell to the largest star in our universe God's power and glory is revealed.

Psalms 139:14

14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

Let us continue to study the wonderful and powerful handiwork of cells.

Remember the parts of the cell – show graphic.

Nucleus Function

The main function of the cell nucleus is to

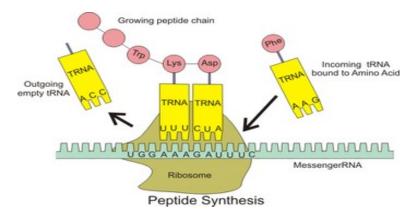
- 1. Control gene expression and
- 2. Mediate the replication of DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid) during the cell cycle.

What is Gene Expression?

- First involves transcription, in which DNA is used as a template to produce RNA (Ribonucleic acid).
- In the case of genes encoding proteins, that RNA produced from this process is messenger RNA (mRNA), which then needs to be translated by ribosomes to form a protein. As ribosomes are located outside the nucleus, mRNA produced needs to be exported.

<u>3 Processes Protein Production</u>

- 1. <u>Replication</u> allows the nucleus to make exact copies of its DNA (during cell division)
- 2. Transcription allows the cell to make RNA working copies of its DNA
- 3. In translation the Messenger RNA is used to line up amino acids into a protein molecule



Deoxyribonucleic acid or DNA: is a nucleic acid that contains the genetic instructions used in the development and functioning of all known living organisms (with the exception of RNA viruses)

DNA is like a set of blueprint for the construction of every part of the body

The DNA segments that carry the genetic information are called genes

DNA FACTS:

Nearly every cell in a person's body has the same DNA.

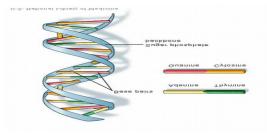
Most DNA is located in the cell nucleus (where it is called nuclear DNA)

A small amount of DNA can also be found in the mitochondria (where it is called mitochondrial DNA or mtDNA).

DNA FACTS: The information in DNA is stored as a code made up of four chemical bases: Adenine (A), Thymine (T) Guanine (G) Cytosine (C)

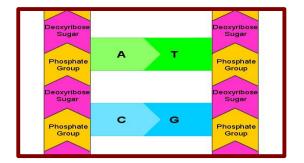
The order, or sequence, of these bases determines the information available for building and maintaining an organism

DNA bases pair up with each other, A with T and C with G, to form units called base pairs



Each base is also attached to a sugar molecule and a phosphate molecule.

Together, a base, sugar, and phosphate are called a nucleotide.



- DNA is like a twisted ladder
- Nucleotides are arranged in two long strands that form a spiral called a double helix.
- What bonds these pair are hydrogen bonds with A bonding only to T, and C bonding only to G. As hydrogen bonds are not covalent, they can be broken and rejoined relatively easily.

We serve a powerful and wonderful God who created the small unit of life, our human cells, to the largest star known to man.

The earth can fit in the sun a billion times. Our sun can fit in the largest star VY Canis Majoris, billions of times.

God is very big! His creation is massive. Did you know that there are over one billion galaxies? In fact, the universe is infinite.

From the smallest cell to the largest star known, God's glory is declared! There is nothing too small or too big for God. You can fully put your trust in Him. God will strengthen you to make it through until the end of time.

Isaiah 41:10

10 Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Psalm 30:5

5 For his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure for a night, **but joy** *cometh* in the morning.

THE GREATEST TRAGEDY

The greatest tragedy is not if I loose all of my wealth The greatest tragedy is not if I loose my good health The greatest tragedy is not if I loose mother, father, sister, brother, son, daughter, husband, or wife The greatest tragedy is not if I loose even my own life The greatest tragedy of them ALL Is if I loose my faith in God and FALL Oh what intense sorrow and pain!!! For eternal life I would never gain My precious Savior and my Friend I would not meet at the end So I must press on in faith for now And keep my hands on the gospel plow For the greatest joy I do see In what God has promised for you and me To live forever with Him in glory Throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity The gift of salvation is offered to all So take heed to the pleading call It cost the life of God's dear Son To offer salvation to everyone So today, choose to serve God with your whole heart And from His law and testimonies never depart Serve God and Him only in sincerity and in truth And from ungodliness remain aloof FOR THERE IS A CROWN THAT AWAITS EVERY SOUL THAT KEEPS HIS EYES ON THE ETERNAL GOAL!!! by Eliyah's Tidings Publications (Elene Rodgers)