

The *Genesis* of Easter

Is Jesus' Resurrection prophesied in the first Book of the Bible?

INTRO: *Today, millions of Christians worldwide are celebrating Jesus' resurrection from the dead. In concert with our Sunday sermon series in Genesis, a good question to ask is whether His resurrection is prophesied in the first book of the Bible, Genesis? The answer is YES, in Genesis 3:15.*

I. Jesus' _____ was prophesied in Genesis.

Jesus is the "seed" of the woman; He was born of Mary and added a human nature to His divinity. His incarnation is celebrated at Christmas.

II. Jesus' _____ was prophesied in Genesis.

The enmity (hostility) between the Serpent and the Woman results in the death of the Woman's seed. Jesus' death was at His crucifixion which was remembered on "Good Friday."

III. Jesus' _____ was prophesied in Genesis.

*Jesus' defeat of the Serpent (described as bruising the head) can **only happen** if He resurrects from death. A few of the wonderful consequences of Jesus' resurrection include...*

A. It proves our _____ of _____.

It was God the Father's stamp of approval on Jesus' sacrifice (1 Corinthians 15:17).

B. It ensures our _____ life. Jesus now lives in

a glorified body, and so shall we (1 Corinthians 15:18; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-18).

C. It promises a restored _____. When Jesus

returns, the curse of sin will be lifted from earth (Romans 8:19).