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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

[Jhn 11:25-26 ESV]



John 11:32-44

Scripture Reading



Jesus knew Lazarus

Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how
he loved him!"

[Jhn 11:35-36 ESV]

Lazarus really was dead

Jesus said, "Take away the stone."
Martha, the sister of the dead man,
said to him, "Lord, by this time there
will be an odor, for he has been dead
four days."

[Jhn 11:39 ESV]

Lazarus heard from the Grave

When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

[Jhn 11:43-44 ESV]



Entropy





Entropy

1. things tend to cool off without a heat source (thermal equilibrium)
2. things naturally get more disorganized (increasing randomness)



Entropy

WrtWasd,neate ,o oww hewdt dbGt
ho a odiW naiddrngsshI na owhegG
hi.ne tn dr

Disorganized

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

Organized



Entropy

WrtWasd,neate ,o oww hewdt dbGt
ho a odiW naiddrngsshI na owhegG
hi.ne tn dr

High Entropy

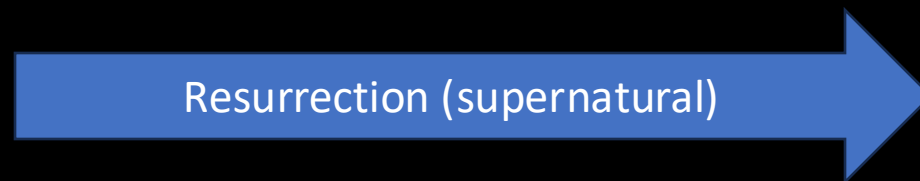
In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

Low Entropy



WrtWasd,neate ,o oww hewdt dbGt
ho a odiW naiddrngsshI na owhegG
hi.ne tn dr

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.



The Word: *the antidote* to Entropy

The Word provides

- The ***order*** required for life
- The ***energy*** required for life

Christ:
the antidote
to Entropy

Christ says: I AM

- The Resurrection and Life
- The Light of Life



John 11:17-27

Scripture Reading



Resurrection and Life: A Person

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "*I am* the resurrection and the life."

[Jhn 11:24-25 ESV]

What does
“never die”
really mean?

“Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me ***shall never die.***”

[Jhn 11:25-26 ESV]

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TEXTUS RECEPTUS

11:26 καὶ πᾶς ὁ ζῶν καὶ πιστεύων εἰς ἐμὲ οὐ μὴ ἀποθάνῃ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα· πιστεύεις
τοῦτο

“and every one who is living and
believing in me shall not die -- to the
age;”

[Jhn 11:25-26 YLT]

This extra phrase may be translated
“for ever” in other passages

What does “never die” really mean?

A structural hint (from E.W. Bullinger)

- I AM - The Resurrection
 - Those that believe and die
- I AM - The Life
 - Those that are living and believe




Recap

- Lazarus is a physical example of the ability of God's word to change and re-order things
- Christ is the antidote to Entropy
- Resurrection and Life are found in relationship with Christ

“I am come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly.”

[Jhn 10:10 KJV]

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- What stood out to you?
 - Questions?
 - Thoughts?

Discuss