

## The New Body

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Ephesians 1:18 – know – oida – it's like a mental video, to mentally perceive, a detailed awareness of the truth, where something has come into the sphere of awareness.

For most words in the Word of God the context is just as important as the definition, just like it is in English. The context has a lot to do with the way the word is used.

The more abundant life is in understanding the Word.

You cannot ginosko the hope of his calling that is why the word oida is used here.

Romans, Corinthians and Galatians the trilogy of the walk.

Ephesians exhorts us to be faithful to the trilogy.

Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians are addressed to those who are walking.

Thessalonians is placed last because it is based upon the preceding six.

To the degree that you understand Romans and Ephesians, to that degree Thessalonians will open up to you.

This is also true with Ephesians; to the degree that you understand Romans, Corinthians and Galatians to that degree Ephesians will open up to you.

You were taught the basics of research in PFAL, use them they are a great foundation.

There is no room for fantasizing when you are working the Word.

Everything must line up with the Epistles. The word fits like a hand in a glove.

You must animatedly believe that the church epistles were written to us.

In order to understand the resurrection you must understand it according to Paul's gospel.

I John 3:2 – We shall be like him

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1. Luke 24:39-44

John 20:20

These document Jesus Christ's new body.

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“Jesus Christ demonstrated that he could still eat. When Christ returns for us of the Church of Grace, we too will acquire a body like unto his resurrected body. This resurrected body is a body we know very little about except for what we can observe from reading about Jesus Christ's body before his ascension. Our physical bodies now have life because of our souls, our breath. According to I Corinthians 15:44 and 45, our spiritual bodies will be energized by a life-giving spirit.

Besides showing the marks on his body and eating with his disciples, Jesus Christ taught them about his fulfilling those things written about him in the Books of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms. Among those things were his sufferings, his death, his resurrection, and his glory. His mission as the Passover Lamb was foreshadowed in the Old Testament. Also foreshadowed was the fulfillment of the Feast of Weeks, known as Pentecost, for on Pentecost all was to be fulfilled so that believers would be able to receive power from on high, the gift of holy spirit. Pentecost was fifty days away, and it was about this that Jesus Christ was next to instruct them.”

2. John 20:14-17

This documents Jesus Christ's appearance to Mary Magdalene.

Excerpt from page 319:

“This is Jesus Christ's first post-resurrection appearance after witnessing in his resurrected body to the imprisoned spirits (I Pet. 3:18). He appeared to Mary Magdalene, yet she did not recognize him. She thought he was dead and that his body had been taken. This first appearance to Mary Magdalene is approximately twelve hours after his resurrection.”

I Peter 3:18 – They are in a different realm. They are outside the firmament. He had to appear to them because they didn't know about what had happened, i.e. that Jesus Christ had purchased redemption for mankind. He had accomplished the very thing that they had tried to destroy when they flooded the earth. Jesus Christ let them know that he was born anyway despite their efforts.

3:19 – by which – (the condition) by means of

3:20 – they were disobedient, they didn't follow the rules

II Peter 2:4 – spare – to abstain from doing anything. God let them get their just reward.

Jude 6 – They left their own house to go and play elsewhere, and while they were out they got into mischief all by their own choice. So now God is keeping an eye on them and keeping them in safety until the day of judgment.

Colossians 2:15 – Jesus Christ had to boast just a little. He had defeated their plans and

made their efforts to destroy his bloodline null and void. He had left to rot and taken all value from their power. He exposed them to the light of his new body and introduced them to their new judge. Himself.

Ephesians 4:8 – Jesus Christ won the military battle, now we are free to compete as athletes.

II Corinthians 2:14 – Here is the promise of the hope. God will keep his promise

I Timothy 3:16 – A quick synopsis of Jesus Christ’s ministry.

God isn’t going to create anything in the gathering together. Everything is already here.

Our new bodies will be physical just like his, we can only be in one place at one time, and we will still be made of the dust of the ground, body and spirit.

I Corinthians 15:44, 45

“It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body, and so it is written, ‘The first man Adam was made a living soul;’ the last Adam a quickening spirit.”

Salvation is of grace but rewards are of merit.

Our faithfulness here will determine what kind of movement our new body will have in eternity. Kind of like an access card for secured areas, i.e. security clearance.

God blew the lid off of the sepulcher to make a point. He didn’t have to move it at all because Jesus Christ’s new body could have gone right through it without any help. But then people would not have known so clearly that he had risen. It was like an explanation point.

John 20:14 – saw – theoreo – (we get our word theater from this word), a continued and prolonged gaze, to studiously and attentively consider, emphasis on the object of the gaze.

Know – oida – her mind just couldn’t comprehend, couldn’t grasp it

20:15 – supposing – It was her opinion and he appeared unto her as the gardener, he did not look like Jesus Christ to her. But...

20:16, 17 – Mary recognized her master’s voice when he lovingly spoke her name.

Mary saw him first before any other human. Because of her great devotion to Jesus Christ she is given this great honor.

20:18 – see – harao – bodily sight, senses recognition could indicate the act of only an instant. He probably still looked like the gardener to her and he left very quickly after giving her the command to tell everyone else that he was raised and was going to his father. His appearance was “phenomenon” all of them were. As soon as Mary recognized the revelation it was gone.

Luke 24:31 – knew – epiginosko – a more special recognition, to know thereupon, to give

heed, to notice attentively, to know fully or well.  
They knew exactly who he was and then he vanished.

John 20:17 - Read Jesus Christ our Passover page 320, (First edition)

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“Mary, mistaking her lord to be a gardener, only recognized her master’s voice when Jesus lovingly spoke her name. What a thrill surely filled her soul. In a moment of indescribable emotion, she turned and cried out, “Master!” For the first time in history, a person beheld a resurrected Christ. He did not appear to a king, a priest, or a ruler. He appeared to a simple, loving disciple who had faithfully cared for him.

Jesus did not allow Mary to touch him, because he was the firstfruits, in which the firstfruits of the spring barley harvest were presented as an offering to God in the Temple, was to occur that same day. Jesus Christ would now replace that offering as the true firstfruits from the dead. (I Cor. 15:20 & 23 “But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ’s at his coming.”) Normally, the priest presenting the offering would go up to the Temple to present it before the Lord. That is the meaning of the expression, “I ascend unto my Father, and you Father; and to my God and your God.” Christ would go up and, as the high priest, present himself before God as the firstfruits from the dead. It does not refer to his ascension to heaven, which was yet forty days away.

In preparing to present himself as the firstfruits, Christ would, in accordance with Old Testament law, keep himself separated until it was accomplished. (In the law, priests were to cleanse themselves at a brass laver of water near the entrance to the tabernacle before going in (Exodus 30:17-21) According to Leviticus 21:6, the priest had to be holy or set apart when presenting certain offerings to God. According to Leviticus 22:1-9, no priest could handle or partake of the holy offerings unless he was ceremonially pure, meaning, among other things, he had not touched anyone who could legally be considered unclean. Only priests were to handle the vessels of the sanctuary, the vessels of the altar, or be involved with any service rendered within the veil. No ‘common man’ (not a priest or Levite) was to come near the priests as they carried out their priestly service in the Temple (Numbers 18:1-7) The wave offering of the firstfruits was a public offering, meaning it was performed by the priests on behalf of the nation. Therefore, a priest would maintain a state of ceremonial purity before bringing the offering before the Lord at the Temple. Besides being himself the firstfruits offering, Jesus Christ was the priest making the offering. He was showing himself as the true high priest to Israel. (Hebrews 5:5, 6; 8:1: “So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; and he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee, As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.”

“Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens.”)

After he had ascended (Not “ascended, ascended” but “offered, ascended” do you see? Remember to keep the two separate in your mind or you will get confused real fast.) And when he showed himself to our Father in the Temple something changed him, the experience maybe, I don’t know but something changed his body, his form, his physical appearance. Because everyone recognized him on sight except Mary Magdalene who saw him before he ascended.

It raises a question; “In the Old Testament did something happen to the High Priest when he gave the wave offering?” This is what Jesus Christ represented for us; he was both the High Priest and the offering. This is something for another time perhaps.

Back to the topic; others recognized Jesus Christ upon sight but Mary didn’t.

Mark 16:9 – He was risen early and saw Mary Magdalene first, and then she told everyone else he was out and about, while he presented himself in the Temple to the Lord as the firstfruit offering.

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John 20:18:

Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

Mark 16:11:

And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

“This response is so characteristically human. The first human reaction to God’s great miracles is so often outright disbelief. People today still refuse to believe that God raised His Son from the dead. Jesus’ disciples were still grieving over his death four days after it occurred.

Note that Mark 16:9-11 is a parenthetical statement explaining Mark 16:1-8, which relates how Mary and the other women went to the sepulchre later that morning. Verses 9 through 11 explain this by recounting what happened beforehand.

So Mary Magdalene, after seeing Jesus, went and told the disciples in an excited manner. She related that she had seen Jesus Christ and told them the message he had spoken to her (John 20:27). No one believed her. Therefore, the women went as they had planned to the sepulchre to anoint the body and Mary Magdalene accompanied them. (That Mary accompanied them is indicated by the pronoun “they” in Mark 16:2. In context it could refer back to the women in Mark 15:40,

41, 47 and 16:1, which would include Mary Magdalene.) Details of this visit to the sepulchre are found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke.”

Luke 24:1:

Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning (at early dawn), they (the women) came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain other with them.

I Corinthians 15:5 – was seen – *optomai* - denotes not the action of seeing but the state of him, and the affection of the mind of him to whose eye or mind the object is presented, to truly comprehend and know.  
Cephas – Simon – Luke 24:34

Mark 16:11 – *theaomai* – to gaze upon, look at with a purpose, regard or admire, emphasis on the mindset of the person gazing.

16:12 – after – *meta* – with the accusative it means *after*, always in connection with time. (Examples: Matt. 17:1; 26:32. John 13:7. Heb. 4:7; 7:28)  
So, this appearance is after he had appeared as an offering.  
Appeared – *phaneroo* – same root as with the manifestations – to make manifest, make apparent or to show forth.  
Another – *heteros* – denotes generic distinction, the other (different) one of two.

He came in another form. It looks like he only appeared in two forms. (Hence “heteros”) One form before he made the offering and one form after he had made the offering.

Luke 24:13-16 – know – *epiginosko*

It had to be available to experientially know him. He was in His own form. The way he looked before he was crucified. You cannot improve on perfection. The new body of Jesus Christ and our new bodies when we get them will be perfect, but they will look like the ones we have now enough that we will be recognizable.

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“Note that Jesus appeared in another form, indicating the variability of his resurrected body. The details of this walk and this appearance are greatly expanded in the Gospel of Luke. It is a beautiful record worthy of our study.”

Luke 24:13-16:

And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs.

And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

But their eyes were holden that they should not know him [their eyes were powerless to perceive exactly to whom they spoke].

“Emmaus, a small village about seven miles from Jerusalem, was the destination of these two men walking from Jerusalem. When Jesus, in his resurrected body, joined them and began conversing with them, they did not recognize him.”

Luke 24:17-20:

And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?

They are with Him for hours why did they not recognize Him? This isn't the same sort of situation as Mary Magdalene. He hadn't changed form again they just didn't recognize him.

Luke 24:21 – They were devastated, concerned. They were thinking of Jesus Christ the military leader; they didn't understand His ministry. The adversary had blinded them. They were not possessed they were just in a place where they didn't believe. Their minds were thinking in the wrong direction so they just couldn't grasp the idea. When the logic of the truth of the Word finally locked into their heads they recognized Him.

Luke 24:31 – knew – epiginosko – Do you see that? He waited for them to recognize him before he departed. He wanted them to get the full impact of what was happening.

Luke 24:39 – I myself – “It is I” – in the Lamsa Bible – ego – “I” – aytos – “self”

They only had one physical body that they could relate with. So Jesus Christ had to let them examine the goods.

Luke 24:25-31 – The resurrection or the new body were not part of the mystery.

24:26 – Glory – This is a reference to a future administration and the new body. At this point in time Jesus Christ had only presented himself as the firstfruits of the dead, he had not yet ascended and received His glory. Keep the time line in your head or you're going to get lost. You have to keep things in context and stay logical when you work the Word.

**Remember that it was the scripture, the Word of God that opened up their eyes. It was the Word that defeated the deception of the adversary. Don't you ever forget that. If you do, you cease to be Way Corps.**

Luke 24:32-35 – There is a great principle just dropped in these verses here; if you want your family to stay tight you have to eat together consistently. That is when you can wind down and talk freely and work things out and be away from the world and other responsibilities.

Luke 24:36 – Look at what happened here. They are all gathered together talking and Jesus Christ came right through the wall and it startled them so much that he had to say “Peace!” They had freaked! If he hadn't looked like himself they rally would have flipped.

Luke 24:37 – They were so freaked that they thought that they were seeing an exoplastic form. They could not have thought even that had Jesus Christ not taught them. They still didn't believe he was alive.  
Peter and Mary were talked out of believing that he was alive even after seeing him. They were not solid in their belief until they placed that belief in the Word not on what they had seen. The five senses can deceive you but the Word never will lie.  
Seen – theoreo – different conjugation of theomai from Mark 16:11

Luke 24:38, 39 – Spirits can counterfeit flesh and bones, but it's not real so it doesn't stand up to inspection. Life is in the blood; spirits do not have blood so they don't have the same type of life. They are not God so they cannot create what they do not have.

Psalms 51:5, 14 – Life quickening spirit is in the blood stream. He had blood.  
But he was energized by a life quickening spirit.

The corruption of the blood will be cleansed by the life quickening spirit.

I Corinthians 15:45 – “The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam a quickening spirit.” Our breath life that was given to the first Adam in Genesis 2:7 will be replaced by a quickening spirit.

Luke 24:39-41 – They thought that they were dreaming. Meanwhile Jesus Christ was trying to act “normal” to put their minds more at ease.



The scripture shows that while we will not exactly be the same we will still be able to eat, and walk and talk as we always have. The corrections that must be made are mostly on a cellular level. A lot of things have changed since Adam and Eve got kicked out of the garden. The impurities of our bodies start on the cellular level. That's what God will have to fix and naturally as those things are set straight then some physical changes will take place on the surface of our bodies. But we will essentially still look like us.

Acts 1:2, 3 – For forty days he spent time with his chosen.

Romans 1:4 – declared – horizo – The resurrection branded Jesus Christ as the Son of God. It is a brand that anyone can see it is clear and in the open.

8:18 – As joint heirs with Christ we get our “glory” as well. This is referring to the new body and the rewards and the crowns that await the faithful. All children get a new body, but only those that earn them get rewards or crowns. You can't expect to get a crown if you don't run in the race. Bystanders don't get rewards for watching others do the work.

Hebrews 5:5, 6; 8:1 – His entire ministry as the High priest of Israel is in his new body.

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