



Arguing About the Resurrection

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GETTING STARTED: Realizing no one knows exactly what heaven is like, what would make heaven feel especially like heaven to you?

DIGGING DEEPER: How does Mark define the Sadducees? What else do you know about the Sadducees (Matt 3:7, 16:1-12; Acts 4:1-2, 5:17-18, 23:1-10)? What were the Sadducees trying to accomplish with their illustration and question? How does this section relate to the preceding and following sections? Why does Jesus say two times that they were "mistaken" (verses 24, 27)? Verse 19 refers to the Law of Levirate marriage. Read Deut 25:5-10, Gen 38:6-10. What was the purpose of Levirate marriage? How does Jesus deal with this question? How does Exodus 3:6 (quoted in verse 26) reveal the power of God in the resurrection? What insight do these verses give about Jesus' strong reaction to the Sadducees disbelief in a resurrection: John 6:44, 51,11:25; 1 Cor 15:13-20; 2 Cor 4:16-17, 5:10; 1Thes 4:16-18?

LIVING IT OUT: How strongly on a scale of 1-10 do you agree with this statement: "What you believe about the resurrection affects everything you do today"? What verse or verses regarding the resurrection give you comfort? Why? How is the truth of the resurrection affecting your life today? How does it need to affect your life today?



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