He that raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also with Jesus, and shall present us with you." It is through this triumphant message of the resurrection of Jesus that Christians have the victory over death and the grave. Believers in the Lord will be raised incorruptible in the great and glad day of His appearing. The resurrection is also stressed by Paul in his great soteriological epistle to the Romans. The letter to the Church at Rome which sets forth the grand doctrine of Christian salvation emphasizes the fact that Christ had risen. In the opening chapter the apostle speaks of Jesus Christ "who was declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead." (Romans 1:4) The ground of Paul's belief in the deity of Christ is the resurrection. If Christ had not been raised from the dead ~~the grand claims~~ there would be no solid basis for His Lordship. Further on in this same epistle, Paul writes, "But if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him; knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death no more hath dominion over Him. For the death that He died, He died unto sin once: but the life that He liveth, He liveth unto God." (Romans 6:6-10) "And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwelleth in you, He that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead shall give life also to your mortal bodies through His Spirit that dwelleth in you." (Romans 8:10,11) The resurrection of Jesus is closely connected with His exaltation in the light of Paul's words (Romans 8:34), "Who is He that condemneth? It is Christ Jesus that died, yea rather, that was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us." Belief in the resurrection of Jesus is essential for salvation. ~~In order to be saved one must believe that Jesus died and rose again.~~ This thought is clearly marked