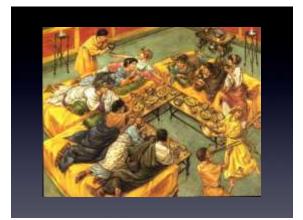


New Life1 Acts 9:36-43









Mark 7:28 NIV

"Lord," she replied, "even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

Mark 7:29-30 NIV

Then he told her, "For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter." She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Acts 9:36-38 NIV

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

Acts 9:39 NIV

Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. Acts 9:40a NIV

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed.

Acts 9:40b NIV

Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up.

Acts 9:41 NIV

He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive.

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18 The Message

And then this: We can tell you with complete confidence-- we have the Master's word on it-that when the Master comes again to get us, those of us who are still alive will not get a jump on the dead and leave them behind. In actual fact, they'll be ahead of us.

The Master himself will give the command. Archangel thunder! God's trumpet blast! He'll come down from heaven and the dead in Christ will rise-- they'll go first. Then the rest of us who are still alive at the time will be caught up with them into the clouds to meet the Master. Oh, we'll be walking on air!

And then there will be one huge family reunion with the Master. So reassure one another with these words.

Revelation 21:3-4 The Message

I heard a voice thunder from the Throne:"Look! Look! God has moved into the neighborhood, making his home with men and women! They're his people, he's their God. He'll wipe every tear from their eyes. Death is gone for good-- tears gone, crying gone, pain gone-- all the first order of things gone."

Revelation 19:6b-9 The Message

Hallelujah!

The Master reigns, our God, the Sovereign- Strong! Let us celebrate, let us rejoice, let us give him the glory! The Marriage of the Lamb has come; his Wife has made herself ready. She was given a bridal gown of bright and shining linen. The linen is the righteousness of the saints.

