

The Resurrection Defended: God is not the God the dead but of the living (Mat.22:23-32;
Mk.12:18-27; Lk.20:27-38)

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Matthew 22:23-32

23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that **there is no resurrection**, and asked him,
24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:
26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.
27 And last of all the woman died also.
28 Therefore **in the resurrection** whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.
29 **Jesus answered** and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.
30 For **in the resurrection** they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but [they] are as the angels of God in heaven [no marriage].
31 But **as touching the resurrection of the dead**, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,
32 I am the God of **Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob**? God is not the **God of the dead**, but of the living.

Mark 12:18-27

18 Then come unto him the Sadducees, which say **there is no resurrection**; and they asked him, saying,
19 Master, Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave *his wife behind him*, and leave no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
20 Now there were seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.
21 And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed: and the third likewise.
22 And the seven had her, and left no seed: last of all the woman died also.
23 **In the resurrection** therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be of them? for the seven had her to wife.
24 And **Jesus answering** said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?
25 For **when they shall rise from the dead**, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as the angels which are in heaven.
26 And **as touching the dead, that they rise**: have ye not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, **I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob**?
27 He is not the **God of the dead**, but **the God of the living**: ye therefore do **greatly err**.

Luke 20:27-38

27 Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which **deny that there is any resurrection**; and they asked him,
28 Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
29 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.
30 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.
31 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died.

32 Last of all the woman died also.

33 Therefore **in the resurrection** whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.

34 And **Jesus answering** said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:

35 But they which shall be **accounted worthy** to obtain that world, and **the resurrection from the dead, neither marry**, nor are given in marriage

36 Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels [immortal beings]; and are the sons of God [see Rom. 1:4], being **the sons of the resurrection**. [begotten from the dead]

37 Now that **the dead are raised**, even **Moses shewed at the bush**, when he calleth **the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob**.

38 For he is not a **God of the dead**, but of the living: **for all live unto him**.