

Acts 10:40

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;

Analysis

Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; The resurrection declaration presents Christianity's foundational claim—God vindicated crucified Jesus by raising Him from death, demonstrated through visible appearances.

Historical Context

Third day timing fulfills Jesus' predictions (Matthew 16:21) and scriptural patterns (Hosea 6:2). Shewed him openly means publicly visible, not private mystical experience. God raised indicates Father's vindication of Son. This proclamation around 40 CE to Gentile audience established resurrection as gospel's core—not optional doctrine but essential claim distinguishing Christianity from Judaism and paganism.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. Why is third-day timing significant for resurrection theology?
2. What does public visibility of risen Christ demonstrate about resurrection's nature?
3. How does resurrection vindicate Jesus' claims and mission?
4. In what ways is resurrection essential rather than optional to Christian faith?
5. What distinguishes physical resurrection from spiritual immortality concepts?

Interlinear Text

τοῦτον ὁ θεὸς ἤγειρεν τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ καὶ ἔδωκεν
Him G3588 **God** G2316 **raised up** G3588 **the third** G5154 **day** G2250 **and** G2532 G1325
G5126 G1453

αὐτὸν ἐμφανῆ γενέσθαι
him G846 **openly** G1717 **shewed** G1096

Additional Cross-References

1 Peter 1:21 (Resurrection): Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

Acts 2:24 (Resurrection): Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

2 Corinthians 4:14 (Resurrection): Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.