

Luke 24:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

Analysis

Angels remind them: 'Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.' Two angels (v. 4) remind the women of Jesus' predictions: 'The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men' (δεῖ... παραδοθῆναι εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων ἁμαρτωλῶν, dei... paradothēnai eis cheiras anthrōpōn hamartōlōn), 'and be crucified' (καὶ σταυρωθῆναι, kai staurōthēnai), 'and the third day rise again' (καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστῆναι, kai tē tritē hēmera anastēnai). The word 'must' (δεῖ, dei) indicates divine necessity—this was God's plan, not tragic accident. Jesus repeatedly predicted His death and resurrection (Luke 9:22, 44, 18:31-33), but disciples didn't understand until after it happened. Resurrection made sense of everything.

Historical Context

Jesus' predictions of death and resurrection appear throughout the Gospels (Luke 9:22, 44, 18:31-33, Matthew 16:21, 17:22-23, 20:17-19, Mark 8:31, 9:31, 10:32-34). He spoke plainly, yet disciples couldn't process it—they expected a conquering Messiah, not a suffering servant. Only after resurrection did they remember and understand (John 2:22, 12:16, Luke 24:8). The 'third day' specification is crucial—Jesus rose exactly when He said He would. This timing refutes swoon theory (Jesus reviving naturally) since three days entombed without food, water, or medical care would mean death, not recovery. That Jesus predicted not only death but resurrection and timing demonstrates supernatural foreknowledge.

Related Passages

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. Why couldn't the disciples understand Jesus' predictions of death and resurrection before they occurred?
2. What does 'must' teach about the necessity of Christ's death and resurrection in God's plan?
3. How does the specific 'third day' timing support resurrection's supernatural nature?

Interlinear Text

λέγων	ὅτι	δεῖ	τὸν	υἱὸν	τοῦ	ἀνθρώπων	παραδοθῆναι
Saying G3004	G3754	must G1163	G3588	The Son G5207	G3588	men G444	be delivered G3860
εἰς	χεῖρας	ἀνθρώπων	ἀμαρτωλῶν	καὶ	σταυρωθῆναι	καὶ	
into G1519	the hands G5495	men G444	of sinful G268	and G2532	be crucified G4717	and G2532	
τῇ	τρίτῃ	ἡμέρᾳ	ἀναστῆναι				
G3588	the third G5154	day G2250	rise again G450				

Additional Cross-References

Matthew 16:21 (Resurrection): From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

