

QUICKEN

(ζωοποιήσει = 'zohopeesi')

To quicken, accelerate, hasten, stimulate, give life to, excite, arouse, rouse, stir up, activate, galvanize, inspire, kindle, invigorate, revive, revitalize.

Romans 8:11, “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to (quicken) your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”

The Greek word translated “quicken” literally means “to infuse with new life.” The same Spirit that resurrected Jesus Christ dwells in us, and that very same Spirit will also “infuse with new life” our mortal bodies. This is resurrection power at work in you and me - to equip us for ministry. Note, for Jesus Christ to rule and reign over everything that His death had already purchased, He needed to be resurrected to new life! And it took resurrection power to bring this about!

It is very important that we understand this. If Jesus died as a spotless and sinless man, and nothing else, the price for our sins would have been paid and we would have been redeemed! However, there would be no one watching over our souls. There would be no authority to enforce the devil’s defeat. There would be no King on the throne of the kingdom of God.

Therefore, the resurrection of Jesus Christ is all about power and authority! The King rules and reigns, and He is seated at the right hand of God with His enemies under His feet. And because He has “new life,” we as joint-heirs have the very same privileges.

If Jesus never rose from the dead there would be no victory to enjoy. His resurrection caused us to be more than conquerors. God’s word tells us to know Christ and the **power** of His **resurrection** (Philippians 3:10). The same **power** that resurrected Jesus from the dead is infusing our mortal bodies with new life!