

The Great Proof that Jesus is the Messiah: The Resurrection

Luke 11: 29–36

(Mt. 5:14-16; 12:38-42; Mk. 4:21-22; see Lk. 8:16)

1 *The crowds thronged Jesus*

- a. Jesus charged:
This is an evil generation
- b. The reason: They sought a sign

2 *The one and only sign:*

*The sign of Jonah,
that is, the resurrection*

3 *The sign's (resurrection) effect: It will condemn this evil generation*

- a. Because they did not seek Christ
(as the queen sought wisdom)
- b. Because they did not repent
with Christ's preaching (as Nineveh)

4 *The sign's (resurrection) visibility: It is as clearly seen as a shining lamp*

- a. A fact:
A shining lamp is not hid
but is placed where it gives light
- b. A choice:
To see the sign (resurrection)
with a healthy eye
or a diseased eye
- c. A warning:
Beware of a diseased eye,
of a body full of darkness
- d. A promise:
A healthy eye will give great light

29 As the crowds increased, Jesus said,

“This is a wicked generation.
It asks for a miraculous sign,
but none will be given it
except the sign of Jonah.

30 For as Jonah was a sign to the Ninevites,
so also will the Son of Man be to this generation.

31 The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment
with the men of this generation and condemn them;
for she came from the ends of the earth
to listen to Solomon's wisdom,
and now one greater than Solomon is here.

32 The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment
with this generation and condemn it;
for they repented at the preaching of Jonah,
and now one greater than Jonah is here.

33 “No one lights a lamp
and puts it in a place where it will be hidden,
or under a bowl.
Instead he puts it on its stand,
so that those who come in may see the light.

34 Your eye is the lamp of your body.
When your eyes are good,
your whole body also is full of light.
But when they are bad,
your body also is full of darkness.

35 See to it, then,
that the light within you is not darkness.

36 Therefore,
if your whole body is full of light,
and no part of it dark,
it will be completely lighted,
as when the light of a lamp shines on you.”