

Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Rabbi/Rabboni, & Resurrection

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Lion of the Tribe of Judah / ὁ λέων ὁ ἐκ τῆς φυλῆς Ἰούδα (*ho leōn ho ek tēs phylēs Iouda*)

Definition, Meaning, and Usage

This name occurs only in Revelation 5:5.

Revelation 5:5 CSB⁵ Then one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep. Look, the Lion from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered so that he is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.”

There is a tie back to an obscure reference in Genesis 49:9, where Jacob/Israel blesses _____ and calls him a young lion. This passage also has _____ references.

Lion of Judah being linked with the family line of _____ identifies the Messiah as a part of the _____ family. _____ throne was surrounded by lion _____.

The OT uses lion imagery to describe _____.

What does this Mean for Me?

Your Messiah savior is no _____. Jesus may have been meek before his opponents while here initially, but He will return as a conquering warrior.

Rabbi/Rabboni / ῥαββί (*rhabbi*); רַבִּי (*rabbiy*) / ῥαββουνί (*rhabbouni*); רַבּוּנִי (*rabboniy*)

Definition, Meaning, and Usage

Rabbi is formed in Hebrew with a combination of *rab* (great) and *iy* (my). It was a term used to identify someone as your _____. It's like saying “My Great.”

Rabbi does not actually appear in the _____.

By the NT times, Rabbi had come to mean “_____” in the Jewish community, but it's used in various ways in three of the four Gospels.

-In Matthew, Jesus is only referred to as Rabbi by _____ at the betrayal. It could mean, master, Lord, or teacher in the context.

Matthew 26:25 & 49 CSB²⁵ Judas, his betrayer, replied, “Surely not I, Rabbi?” “You have said it,” he told him. . . .⁴⁹ So immediately he went up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed him.

-In Mark, Jesus is referred to as Rabbi four times. It could mean, master, Lord, or teacher in these contexts.

Mark 9:5 CSB⁵ Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it's good for us to be here. Let's set up three shelters: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—

-Luke doesn't use the term, but instead uses *epistates*, which means “_____” in places where Rabbi might have occurred.

-John uses the term in the most traditional manner, meaning “_____.”

John 1:38 CSB ³⁸ When Jesus turned and noticed them following him, he asked them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

Rabboni was a term of special _____ to the teacher or special _____, like saying, “My teacher.”

John 20:16 CSB ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” Turning around, she said to him in Aramaic, “*Rabboni!*”—which means “Teacher.”

In the Greek, Rabbi/Rabboni is simply a _____ of the Hebrew term.

What does this Mean for Me?

Jesus is your great _____.

Jesus is your _____ (He teaches us now through the Holy Spirit.).

Resurrection / ἀνάστασις (_____)

Definition, Meaning, and Usage

Resurrection means bringing something that was dead back to life again.

Jesus doesn't simply say he provides resurrection. He claims he _____ resurrection.

John 11:25 CSB ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me, even if he dies, will live. This means resurrection is exclusively _____ within Jesus Christ.

Acts 4:1–2 CSB ¹ While they were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple police, and the Sadducees confronted them, ² because they were annoyed that they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead.

Jesus is also the _____ of the eternally resurrected. He's the _____.

1 Corinthians 15:20–22 CSB ²⁰ But as it is, Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also comes through a man. ²² For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

What does this Mean for Me?

Resurrection is not a _____. It is a person.

We have only to hope in Jesus for our eternal _____. If we are in Christ, we are saved.

Prayer Application

Jesus, our Messiah, is a powerful conqueror. Paul says in Romans 8 that we share in God's undefeatable victory and power. Therefore, we should pray knowing and believing that we are praying to the captain of the winning team. Nothing can stop Him and His will.

In Jesus is complete knowledge. He knows every detail in Heaven and on Earth, and he knows every detail of our lives. He knows His plans and purposes for us. Why would we go to any other source for ultimate truth?! Pray knowing that Jesus is your teacher, and that as you open His word, He wants to speak with you.

A huge goal of most people in our western culture is extending our life to be as long as it possibly can. Living to 100 or more is not as rare as it used to be. Even in our pursuit of extended life, eternal life remains an impossibility, apart from Christ. Pray with a realization that your eternal hope is found in nothing else but in Jesus.