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Romans 1:4, "And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:"

There are many things in life which we take for granted. Oftentimes it is our job, our family, our church, and even our Lord in which we take so much for granted that they lose some of their importance to us if we are not careful. All born-again children of God have been blessed to know that there is a creator whom has all power.

As members of a Christian Religion, we know and understand that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Many of us have heard this declared from our youth. However, this was not true of the Jewish nation, nor was it known by the Gentiles in the time Christ was on this earth and during the preaching of the Apostles. When they came within the sound of the gospel, more than likely it was the first time they had ever heard of Jesus. Those with hearing ears (having already been born of the Spirit) rejoiced at hearing the declaration of "**the resurrection from the dead**" and that it was by grace and not by works. Much of what they had been hearing was from the Sadducees (there was no resurrection) or from the Pharisees (resurrection based on obedience to the Law). To hear that Jesus was the Son of God, and that by His grace He shed His blood on the cross of Calvary for our sins, and that Jesus will come back one day for all those whom God gave Him to die for; brought joy and peace to their hearts (John 6:37-40).

There came a time when the Lord calmed the boisterous wind that a mighty truth was declared in Matthew 14:33, "Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God." Then in Mark 3:11 we read of when He was healing many of plagues, "And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou art the Son of God." Soon after He had yielded up the ghost, after beholding the veil of the temple being rent in twain from the top to the bottom, feeling the earth quaking and rocks being rent, thus recorded in Matthew 27:50-53, we read in verse 54, "Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus,

saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God."

There are many instances found in the word of God, which declare the "Son of God with power" and that He is a resurrected saviour. John proclaimed (declared) the greatest truth that can ever be voiced or shouted from the highest pinnacle in I John 5:20, "And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life." God's Holy Spirit Declares This. *Think About It!*