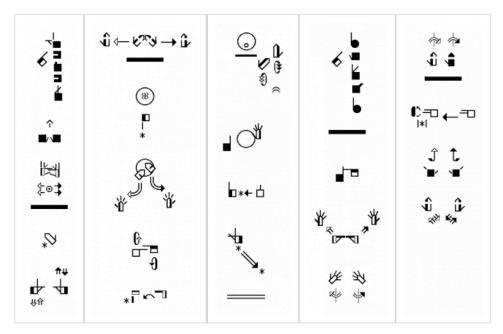
IS PSALM 16 ABOUT KING DAVID OR JESUS CHRIST?

Acts 2:29 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

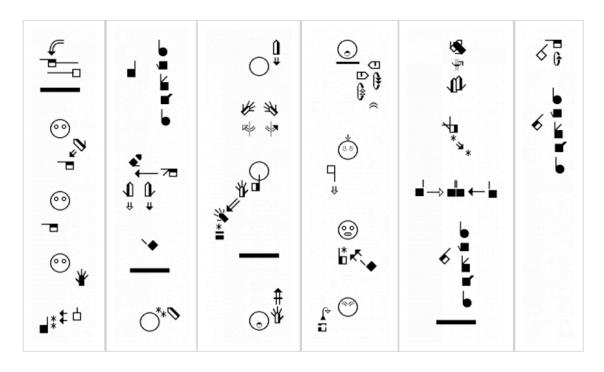


The meaning of Biblical prophecy is often hidden until the Holy Spirit reveals it. (Luke 24:45, Daniel 12:9)

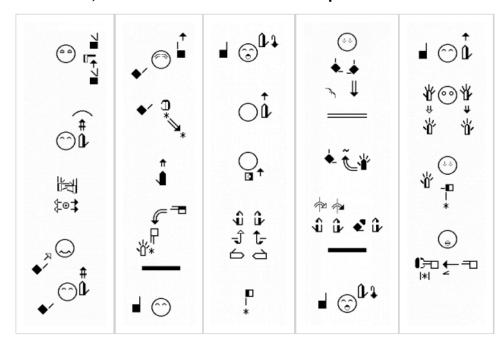
Facts prove Jesus is the Messiah. David is dead, buried, and we know where he is buried.

David was a prophet. God promised him that one of his own descendants would sit on his throne and also be the Christ.

30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;



31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

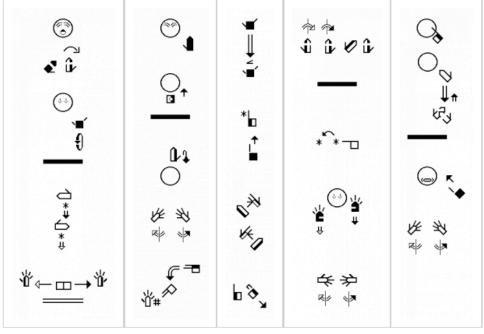


David saw the resurrection of Jesus Christ before it happened. He could not have meant himself because he is still dead. David's body has seen corruption (decay).

Another interesting thing to note is that Jesus' soul and body were separated which contradicts the Jehovah Witness doctrine that the two cannot be separated. Also they do not believe Jesus' body was resurrected.

How easy it would have been to refute Peter's claims if Jesus was still dead. Have you ever thought of the implications of Jesus' resurrection? It is not just a fact that you might not have known, but one that can change the direction of your life. Just like President Lincoln's "Emancipation Proclamation".

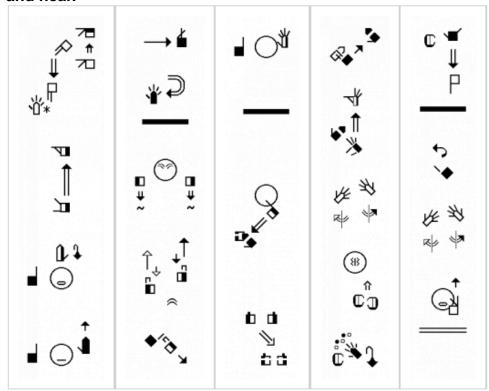
32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.



Eye witness accounts are still considered reliable, enough to send someone to capital punishment, enough to put someone in jail for life. Over 500 eye witnesses should convince any reasonable person that something is true.

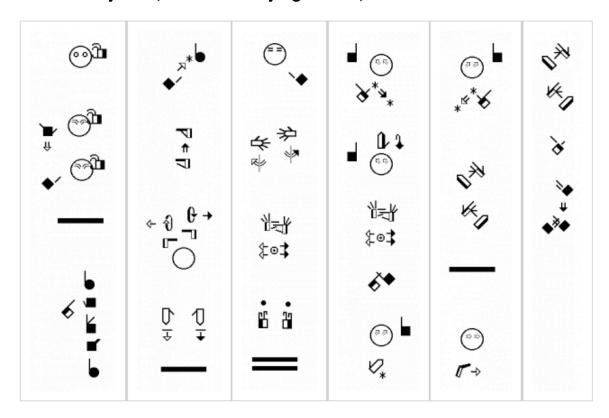
What would convince you that Jesus is still alive?

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

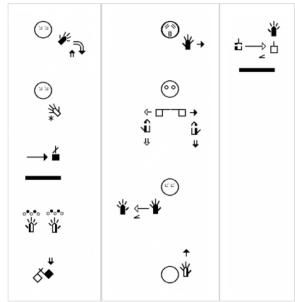


Verse 33 hints at the Trinity. Three persons, one God. Not only is the Lord resurrected but He has also ascended into Heaven. Christ's position is the highest possible. His blood shed, paid the price, not only for our sins but to make believers sanctified for the gift of the Holy Spirit. There is no greater gift than the Holy Spirit. (John 14:17, Col. 1:27)

34 For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,



35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.



If David were the promised Messiah why would his body still be in the grave? Why would David call another person Lord? Jesus had asked the same question. (Mt. 22:44) If the commonly understood meaning to Psalm 16 was that this prophecy was about a descendant of David, why would he call him Lord if he was David's son (descendant)?

This long day, this day of Pentecost, with all its unusual happenings, was meant to awaken souls to something new that God was doing. As Jews they had to see it in the Bible first.

Finally, this prophecy ends with the pronouncement that the Messiah will conquer all His enemies.