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Weekly connection

History's greatest moment

I called my message on Easter Sunday, "The Resurrection – History's greatest moment." Because quite honestly it was.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is so real that for the past 2,000 years the lives of millions and millions, maybe billions have been forever changed and the best is yet to come for every believer.

One of my favorite authors is Lee Strobel. He was a staunch atheist giving all his effort and study to prove that there is no God and that the



By
**SCOTT
CERNEK**
Columnist

resurrection of Jesus was nothing more than a fairy tale.

While studying to prove there is no God or resurrection, Lee Strobel ended up being thoroughly convinced that the opposite was true.

He fact he has written several books about what he found. Some of those books are, *The Case for Christ, The Case for Easter, The Case for Miracles, The Case for Faith and a bunch more.*

Lee Strobel gives us four basic proofs of the resurrection to consider.

First of all, in order for there to be a resurrection we must know that JESUS WAS DEAD Did Jesus die on the cross? Was he dead? Virtually every scholar on planet Earth concedes that Jesus was dead

after the crucifixion.

We have no record of anyone, anywhere, ever surviving a full Roman crucifixion. Even the Journal of the American Medical Association published a peer reviewed scientific medical study of the evidence for the death of Jesus and said, "Clearly the weight of the evidence indicates that Jesus was dead even before the spear wound was inflicted by the Roman guard."

Even the atheist New Testament scholar Gerd

Lüdeman says, "Historically it's indisputable that Jesus was dead." So, Jesus was dead.

I remember when I was at State University taking a philosophy class years ago, my professor, who didn't believe in any miracles in the Bible whatsoever, told the class that it is very likely that Jesus was not dead on the cross but that when He was taken down from the cross and laid in the tomb, the cool temperatures of the tomb helped to revive Him.

His disciples then overpowered the Roman guards, rolled a huge two-thousand-pound stone away from the opening of the tomb and took Jesus for the medical help He needed to survive.

Believe me it wasn't just the miracle of the resurrection that my professor tried to disprove; he tried to cancel every miracle of the Bible.

You see a non-believer cannot have even one miracle of the Bible be true or they have no

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Lena Townwide Garage Sales

113 ROLLIN DR Thurs. & Fri. 8-4:30, Sat. 8-noon baby & toddler clothes 3mo-5T, baby & toddler toys, baby bouncer, walker, kids books, Christmas & Halloween decor, household, pictures, bar stools, ceiling fan, deacon bench, antique sewing machine, Papasan chair, bath & beauty products, womens clothes M & L, dog cage, Coolmist dehumidifier, prom dresses, 2 sliding glass dog door inserts.

203 OAK TERRACE CT Thurs. 4-6, Fri. 7-3 & Sat. 7-10 Little Tykes bounce house, dresser, games, toys, puzzles, books, daybed, household, tons of clothes:mens, womens sm., kids 10-Jr. sm., shoes.

204 ETOWNE RD Fri. & Sat. 8-5 Crafts: stained glass, baby blankets & bibs, etc., kitchen items, decorations, Cherished Teddies, Mary Moos, figure cabinet, misc.

205 GROVE ST Fri. 8-4 & Sat. 8-noon Mens-womens-baby/toddler clothes, baby items, household, misc. No Early Birds!

210 E PROVOST ST Fri. & Sat. 8-5 antiques, barn raising & railroad pictures. Home of Papa's Hooch! Homemade wine, all kinds, all natural. Stop & taste. Wine donations go to charity! Help me, help you, help others.

212 PALM DR Fri. 8-6, Sat. 8-4 Surround sound, tires, coffee table, end tables, vacuum, child's

desk, clothes-womens xl, teen girls lg, mens xl, shoes, comforter set, curtains, household, misc. decor, pillows, girls softball, car floor, cabinet hinges, clear mats.

303 S FREEDOM ST (by old water tower) Fri. 8-6, Sat. 8-4 antique wicker doll buggies, dropleaf table/6 chairs/leaves w/ pads, crocheted items, collectible Barbies NIB, St. Louis Cardinal/Packer items, Girls 6-12, Boys 3-12, Womens M-L. I've cleaned closets, garage & basement and still unpacking.

307 LOCUST ST ESTATE SALE May 5, 6 & 7, 9-5 kitchen tables/chairs, sm. kitchen appliances, sewing machines, lamps, holiday items, Queen bedding, towels, rugs, home decor, mens shirts L-XL, pants 38x29, hunting clothes, lawn chairs. All must go. Cash only. No early birds.

308 FREMONT ST Fri. 8-4, Sat. 8-4 Free coffee, all size clothing up to 4x-5x adult, baby items/furniture, household and outdoor items, holiday decor.

314 N FREEDOM ST Fri. & Sat. 8-2 Multi-family sale. Tons of baby items NB-18mo, toys, baby bouncer, stroller, pack-n-play, crib, high chair, home decor, sewing table, \$1 womens S-L & mens M-L.

404 OAK ST Huge Sale Thurs. 1-5, Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-3 Golf clubs, kids-

womens-mens clothes, doll house, vintage doll house, fish tank, lots of dishes, complete set of Currier & Ives dishes.

408 N FREEDOM ST Fri. 8:30-5 & Sat. 8:30-noon Many like-new girl baby clothes newborn-3, ladies Miss Me jeans size 10, nice household items, pictures, TV stand, high chair, 100's of golf balls.

408 OAK ST Fri. 8-5, Sat. 8-1 Name brand womens & Jr's. clothing-AE, Miss Me, Rock Revival, Nike, Adidas, UA & more, mens name brand clothing, girls youth clothes, home decor, household, furniture, baby items, Panther apparel.

514 W FAIRWAY DR Thurs. 10-5, Fri. & Sat. 9-3 Clothes girls up to sz 8, boys infant-2, housewares, toys, baby bouncer, walker, play mat, jumper, etc, battery-operated child car, books, cookbook, games, wood table, bathroom sink counter.

518 W FAIRWAY DR Large 3 family sale, Thurs.-Sat. 9-? vintage stuff, dolls, various sz

clothes-many women's XL clothes, clothes for American Girl doll, games, shoes, books, tupperware, dishes, scrapbooking, DVD's & CD's, jewelry, odds & ends.

560 W FAIRWAY DR Thurs. 10-6, Fri. 8-5, Sat. 8-noon Housewares, light fixtures, pots, pans, dishes, etc., clothes Mens M-2x, Young miss 14-16, Womens M-2x, holiday decor and much more.

641 N QUAIL DR Thurs. 4-7, Fri. 8-5 & Sat. 8-noon baked goods, name brand like new ladies clothing xs-m, 2, 2 Long, 4, Cubs & Panther apparel, dining table & chairs, patio furniture, misc. tables & chairs, fabric, sewing items, lamps, misc. household.

646 ROBIN CT Fri. 8-4 & Sat. 8-11 Household, home decor, girls-Jr.-womens clothing all in excellent condition, something for everyone.

700 BRYNNWOOD LANE Rain or shine-heated garage Thurs. 4-7 & Fri. 8-4 Girls clothes NB-6T, Boys 6-8, maternity xs-lg, womens s-xl, shoes for all sizes, toys, books, double sit/stand stroller, gas stove, Amish furniture set, household, much more.

714 S SCHUYLER ST Fri. & Sat. 9-6 dishes, kitchen items, sheets, toys, books, holiday decorations, clothes, couch-make offer, recliner, knickknacks and shelves,

quilts, records, new pallet jack, workshop lights. All priced to go!

715 MAPLE ST. FRI. 8-5 & SAT. 8-NOON Electric washer/dryer, home decor, all season med. womens clothes/shoes, flower pots, gas grill, books.

720 N. FREEDOM ST. Fri 8-4 & Sat 8-noon Donation only, all money collected is donated to people of Ukraine. Lots of clothes-all sizes, housewares, toys, furniture & lots of misc.

728 S SCHUYLER ST Thurs. 1-6, Fri. 8-5, Sat. 8-3 Tons of clothes: Jr's, womens, mens, boys to 5T, baby items, jewelry, toys, games, puzzles, books, CD's, DVD's, cookbooks, housewares, pictures, frames, collectibles, shop items, lawn chairs, bikes, rugs, youth bed & more.

802 OAK ST Fri. & Sat. 9-5 Honda Rebel motorcycles, 5x8 utility trailer, CB radios, Star Trek collectibles, old sports cards, comics, vintage collectibles, machinist tools.

8275 W MOUND RD Fri. & Sat. 9-5 black walnuts, Oster kitchen center, kerosene lamps, fruit jars, shooting table, pictures, frames, vacuum cleaner, plant stands, humidifier, electrical parts, hunting equip, blue antique jars, craft items for gifts, electric fry pan and much more.



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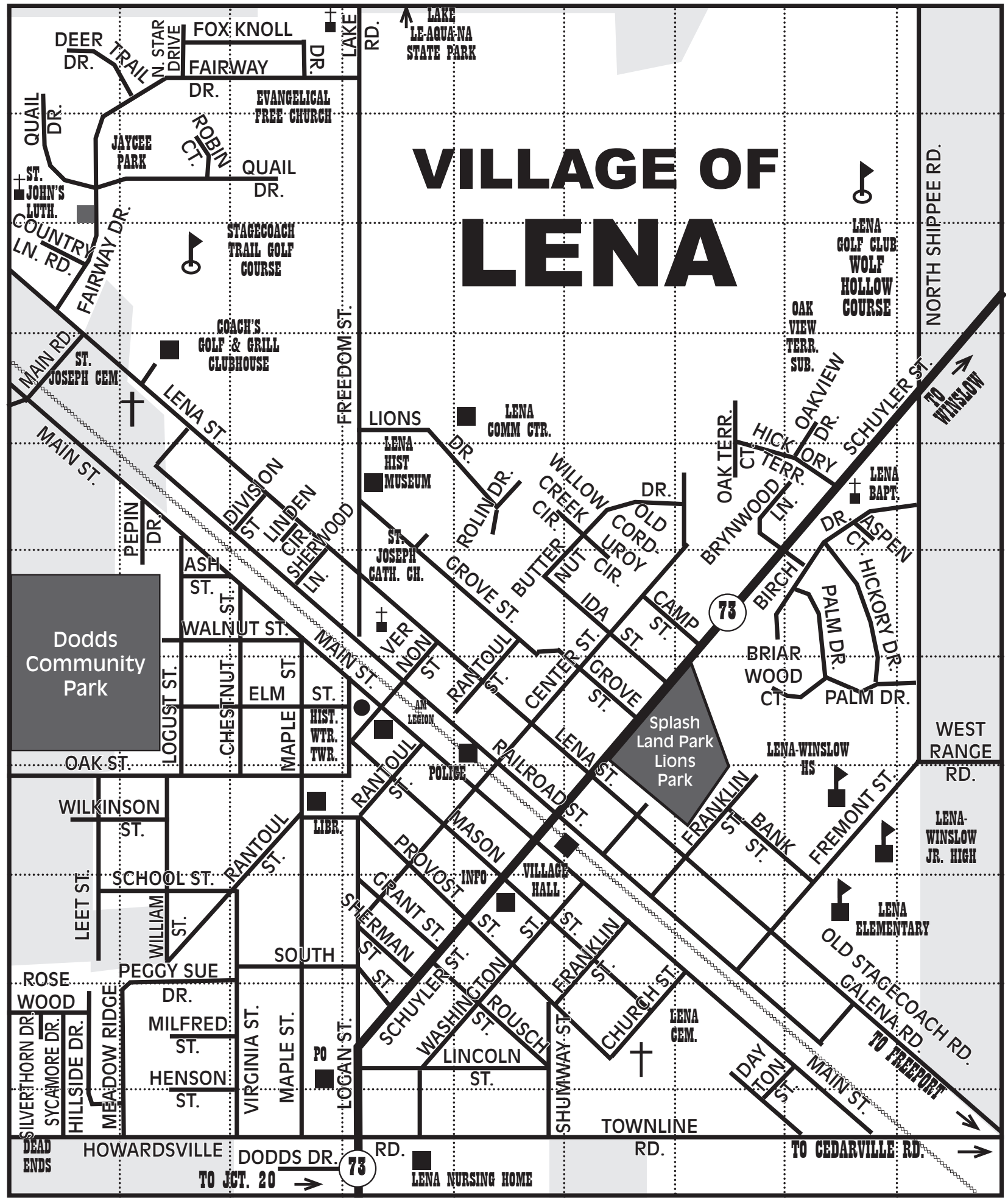
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Weekly (Continued from page 2)

foundation to declare their unbelief.

It's like the young boy who questioned his science teacher who had declared to the class that no one should believe anything that they haven't seen with their own eyes.

Later the teacher was explaining that the cocoon he had kept in an aquarium at the back of the classroom had transformed into a butterfly overnight.

The boy questioned how he could be sure that is what really happened when no one had actually seen it take place.

There are many things that we believe even though we can't see them such as air, gravity, sound waves, wind, radio waves, wifi and Bluetooth signals.

Even though we can't see these things we know they are real because we see their effects all around us.

As a believer, we have not seen the resurrection ourselves, but when we believe the Holy Spirit comes to live in us. We cannot see the Holy Spirit, but we can see the effect He has in a person's life. So yes, Jesus was dead.

The second category of evidence is the early accounts we have for the resurrection itself.

In other words, Lee Strobel used to think as an atheist that the resurrection was a legend that took a long time to develop in the ancient world.

What he learned was that we have a preserved creed from the earliest Christian Church that is an eyewitness-based report of the resurrection of Jesus.

Now this creed has been

dated back by scholars to within months of the death of Jesus — within months. That is historical gold. This creed gives us a news flash from ancient history on the resurrection.

Thirdly, we have the empty tomb on resurrection morning. The best evidence for the empty tomb is that even the opponents of Jesus implicitly admitted the tomb was empty.

When the disciples began proclaiming that Jesus had risen what the opponent said was, "The disciples stole the body."

They're conceding that the tomb was empty, they're just trying to explain how it got empty. So, everybody's conceding that the tomb was empty.

How it got empty is the real issue, and that goes to the fourth category of evidence, which is the record of the eyewitnesses. For most of what we know about ancient history, it comes from one or maybe two sources of information and yet for the conviction of the disciples that they encountered the resurrected Jesus, we have no fewer than nine ancient sources inside and outside the New Testament confirming and corroborating the conviction of the disciples that they encountered the risen Christ. That is an avalanche of a historical data.

Here's the kicker for me. The resurrection was so real that every one of the disciples except for the betrayer Judas Iscariot and the Apostle John died a martyr's death. Friends, people do not die for a lie.

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\$19⁹⁵
1st three lines
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FREE TIRE ROTATION!

- Most vehicles
- Install new oil filter
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SHOCKS OR STRUTS

\$20 OFF

ANY SET OF 4 SHOCKS OR STRUTS
 Installed in store recommended. 50,000 Miles

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\$10 OFF

Most Vehicles



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ROTATE & BALANCE

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INCLUDES: Inflate tires to proper pressure

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APPROVAL UP TO \$3,000!

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 E: Brake Fluid & Condition of Fluid
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- 4) Inspect Tires & Correct Air Pressure**
- 5) Rotate Tires**
- 6) Inspect Thickness of Brake Pads**
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 A: Test Output of Alternator
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\$24⁹⁵
 Plus Disposal Fee & Sales Tax

- OFFER GOOD FOR MOST CARS
- MINI VANS - LIGHT TRUCKS UP TO 1/2 TON
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