

Dorcas: 'Buried' dead or alive?

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Clifford Drane — 07 Apr 1999, 19:18

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Alex David Groce — 07 Apr 1999, 18:50 · follows Clifford Drane

The idea is interesting, although the correspondence of names with the woman Peter raises from the dead in Acts 9:36-42 is suggestive of a real resurrection, the first human raised by Severian as Triskele is the first animal.

On Apr 7, 2:18pm, Clifford Drane wrote:

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