

Resurrection Sunday

What if Jesus Didn't Rise Again?

1 Corinthians 15:12-28

April 9, 2023

Sermon Sketch: The resurrection of Jesus Christ is, arguably, “*the*” pivotal event of all history. Is there sufficient cause to put our full faith and trust in the assertions of the New Testament documents? Yes – so do so today...

- 1) How has the Triumphal Entry of Jesus and His use of the donkey encouraged you to be used of the Lord in this past week? (What the Lord Needs? 4/2/23)
- 2) Have you ever imagined being one of the disciples, and suffering through the long wait between Jesus' crucifixion and His resurrection – can you feel the weight of “Holy Saturday”?
- 3) Read Leviticus 23:9-22. Detailed here are the feasts of Firstfruits (Early) and the Feast of Weeks (Latter Firstfruits). In 1 Corinthians 15:20 Jesus is referred to as the “firstfruits” of those who have fallen asleep (died). How might this all be connected?
- 4) How are you regularly proclaiming (1 Cor. 15:12) Jesus' resurrection to those around you?
- 5) What facts ((20) might you present to a friend with regard to the truth of Jesus' resurrection?
- 6) Have you ever read any of the books Pastor referenced – 1) Evidence that Demands a Verdict (1972) – McDowell, 2) Who Moved the Stone (1930)

– Morrison, or 3) The Case for Christ (1998) – Strobel?

- 7) 1 Cor. 15:24-28 makes clear that death has been destroyed and all things placed under Jesus' feet (cross reference Ephesians 1:22-23). How might we walk in victory, even over death, in the here and now?
- 8) How does the hope of being raised by Christ on the last day (John 6:39-40) impact your life: strength in your struggles and joy in your journey?
- 9) Who will you pray for in the week ahead that you might be able to share with about your Risen Savior?

He is Risen

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