

## GOODNEWS

## **PART 6: JESUS ROSE!**

"Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures. that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures." (1 Corinthians 15:1-4, NIV)

"But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (1 Corinthians 15:12-14, NIV)

"...And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied." (1 Corinthians 15:17-19, NIV)

## **UN-RAISING THE RISEN CHRIST**

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(1 Corinthians 15:17-20, NIV)

"The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead." (Acts 17:30-31, ESV)

GOOD NEWS: IF HE HAS BEEN RAISED THEN... His claims are all \_\_\_\_\_ ALL TRUE: \_\_\_\_\_ ALL TRUE: ALL TRUE: "Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:2, ESV) THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS' WORDS ARE \_\_\_\_\_ **VALIDATION — VINDICATION** GOOD NEWS: IF HE HAS BEEN RAISED THEN... Through Him all is \_\_\_\_\_

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"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For he 'has put everything under his feet.' Now when it says that 'everything' has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all." (1 Corinthians 15:20-28, NIV)

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"Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?' The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." (1 Corinthians 15:51-58, NIV)

THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT THIS IS NOT THE END:
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Questions to answer in light of the GOOD NEWS:
1. Is your faith still hanging on the cross OR is He Risen? How does focusing on the risen Christ reshape your life? If He is risen then?
2. Do I let death have sting it shouldn't? How am I allowing sin and death to take more of a toll on my mind—soul—emotions than they should if He really is risen, the first of a new creation?
3. Have you surrendered your life to the CARE of THE RISEN CHRIST? Have you taken Him up on His offer of "My life for yours?"
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