

MESSAGE NOTES

EASTER SUNDAY

He is Risen!

Resurrection: Is it True?

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1 Corinthians 15, p. 801

"Is the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead true?"

1. If it is not true, then... there is no salvation . (15:2-3)
2. If it is not true, then... the Bible cannot be trusted . (15:3-4)
3. If it is not true, then... the apostles are all mistaken or liars (15:5-11)
4. If it is not true, then...
there is no such thing as life after death . (12,16)
5. If it is not true, then... preaching about it and believing in Jesus is worthless (13-14, 17)
6. If it is not true, then... we are lying about what God actually did (15)
7. If it is not true, then...
there is no forgiveness for sins . (17)
8. If it is not true, then... there is no forgiveness for sins ! (19-22, 26, 55-56)
9. If it is not true, then... there is no return of Christ . (23)
10. If it is not true, then... there is no resurrection body . (35-57)

the one thing: "It's true!"

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online.

TAKING IT HOME NOTES FOR SMALL GROUP & PERSONAL STUDY

- 1 KEEPING IT REAL**
Jeremiah 31:13 says that the Lord will give His people joy instead of sorrow and turn their mourning into gladness. Think of a time when you received unexpected good news. Describe your response: words, actions, feelings.
- 2 LOOK AT THE BOOK**
How do you see joy expressed and received in the following: Sarah at the birth of Isaac (Genesis 21:6-7), Jacob discovering that Joseph is alive (Genesis 45:25-28, Genesis 46:28-30), the disciples and Mary Magdalene finding that Jesus is alive (John 20:1-28)?
- 3**
What do you learn about joy from these verses: Psalms 5:11, 16:11, 19:8, 28:7, 51:12; John 15:9-13; and Galatians 5:22?
- 4 THE NEXT STEP**
Ponder the resurrection of Jesus this week: the sudden joy His friends experienced, our ongoing joy of knowing our Savior is alive forever. What will you do to fan the flames of "the joy of the Lord" in your life beyond the Easter celebration?

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize 1 Corinthians 15:3-4
- Record your thoughts on 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 this week
- Say to others this week, "I believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."
- Other _____

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