

Acts 17:30-31 Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent, ³¹because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.

Romans 10:9 If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

I Corinthians 15:20-22 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. ²¹For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

I Corinthians 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed.

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies."

I Corinthians 15:31-32 I affirm, brethren, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. ³²If from human motives I fought with wild beasts at Ephesus, what does it profit me? If the dead are not raised, let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.

I Corinthians 15:54-58 Then will come about the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory. ⁵⁵O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; ⁵⁷but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁵⁸Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.



WORSHIP CONNECT IMPACT

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013

“IF NO EASTER”

I Corinthians 15:1-19

- I. If there were no Easter, according to Scripture, life is _____.
 1. We would have no grip on spiritual reality.
 2. We are stuck with a t_____ existence.
 3. _____ is vain.
 4. All _____ is vain.
 5. We are still in our _____.
 6. _____ wins.
 7. The C_____ is pitiable.
- II. Why believe in Easter
 1. The _____ says Christ arose.
 2. The risen Christ has _____.
 - a. The absurdity of apostles dying for what they knew was a lie.
 - b. The failure of gospel enemies to explain what happened.
- III. Since Easter is true... _____
 1. We know Jesus is God's _____.
 - a. He is either a l_____, a l_____, or L_____.
 2. We must get ready to _____ Jesus.
 3. We must believe in Jesus with the _____.
 4. We shall live forever.
 5. We should _____ Christ with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.

Scripture References:

I Corinthians 15:1-8 Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, ²by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

I Corinthians 15:12-19 Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. ¹⁵Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁷and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

I Corinthians 15:14 And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.

I Corinthians 15:32 If from human motives I fought with wild beasts at Ephesus, what does it profit me? If the dead are not raised, let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.

I Corinthians 15:15 Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised.

I Corinthians 15:16-17 For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁷and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins.

I Corinthians 15:18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

I Corinthians 15:19 If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

I Corinthians 15:20 But now, Christ has been raised from the dead!

I Corinthians 15:4 And that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

I Corinthians 15:5-8 And that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

II Peter 1:16 We did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

Romans 1:4 Was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead.

Acts 2:32 This Jesus, God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.

Acts 2:36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.

Acts 5:30-31 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. ³¹He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Acts 10:40-43 God raised Him up on the third day and granted that He become visible, ⁴¹not to all the people, but to witnesses who were chosen beforehand by God, that is, to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. ⁴²And He ordered us to preach to the people, and solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins.