

Sermon Notes

If Christ Weren't Raised, Our Faith Would Be Pointless

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

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There may be Q&A at the end as time allows. So note your questions.

15:12-14 Some in the Corinthian church were saying there is no resurrection of the dead. That creates all kinds of problems.

What Paul implies is, wonderful things that are true, because Christ has been raised from the dead.

Christ's resurrection is very important to our lives as Christians.

15:15-19 The apostles' preaching and the Corinthians' faith is without value, or purpose, if Christ has not been raised.

Actually, the apostles are legitimate messengers of God, and we can trust what they have to say about spiritual matters.

Actually, if we have believed the true gospel of Jesus Christ, we are not still in our sins; rather, we have been forgiven of our sins, and therefore are in right relationship with God, and we will have eternal life with God.

Actually, Christ has been raised from the dead, so those who trust Christ and have passed away, or "fallen asleep", are not just gone; rather, they will get up in the resurrection, to have life with Christ.

Hope in Christ: Christ is risen from the dead. Christ is going to come again some day, raise from the dead us who trust Him, and we will have eternal life in heaven, where there will be no more of the problems that we have had on this earth. We can look forward to that with joy, no matter what difficulties we face in this life.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Suggested related reading: 1 Thess. 4:13-18, Rev. 21:1-4

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