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Let's Talk

The past few years have felt especially impactful in terms of world-changing events. What was a past historical event you remember living through and how did it impact you or those around you? Did it impact your view of the world?

Let's Study

- 1. Read John 6:66-69.** In this week's sermon, Pastor Jon shared that "faith is informed trust." What do you think about this statement? Do you see your faith rooted in fact and history?
- 2. Read 1 Corinthians 15:3-8.** What is the significance of personal testimony?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 15:14-19.** How do you react to Paul's bold statements, especially about faith (v.14)?
- 4. Read Romans 10:9.** How do you react to Pastor Jon's bold statements about Jesus' resurrection?
If Jesus rose from the dead, then...
 - atheism/agnosticism/death is answered
 - every religion must re-evaluate itself at its core
 - the human family now needs to ask who God is
 - you can meet God
 - there is purpose in your life
 - the coffin or cremation fire is not the end
- 5. Read Mark 12:17.** This week, we were given an interesting perspective on historical records: 'Do you think Plato or Julius Caesar existed? How do you know?' Caesar's life was documented 1,000 years after his death by the Roman historians, but he was actually noted in the Bible long before.
 - What impression does this give you of the Bible as a reliable historical document?
 - What do you make of the facts that Pastor Jon presented about Plato and Julius Caesar, especially regarding how little historical documentation there was regarding these men?



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Let's Apply

1. How are you encouraged by the fact that the Gospels were written so soon after Jesus' death and resurrection? Do they become more trusted as a result?
2. If faith is "informed trust", how do you feel 'more informed' about Jesus and his life, death and resurrection after hearing this sermon?
3. Towards the end of the sermon, we were asked to not forget that "Jesus is not just true; He is good, He is beautiful." Why is the goodness and beauty of Jesus just as important as His truthfulness? How will you seek the goodness and beauty of God this week?

Let's Pray

Dear Father in Heaven,

Thank you for giving Pastor Jon the spiritual gift of Teaching so that he can interpret and convey to us these historical truths today.

Thank you for Scripture. We can't live without it.

Thank you for Jesus, for his disciples, for the apostles and for the oral and written traditions that bring us such comfort today.

Please continue to speak to us through your Word, your Presence, and your Love.

Amen.