



In 1 Corinthians 15 the Apostle Paul writes, "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" (vv. 1-2). Between the crucifixion and resurrection is the burial of Christ, under the heading of first importance. Let's take a look at why his burial is of first importance to our faith.

*I. The burial of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ the death of Christ.*

A. If Jesus didn't really die an atoning death on the cross, then you and I are still in our \_\_\_\_\_.

*II. The burial of Christ proves to us God's \_\_\_\_\_.*

*III. The burial of Christ tests our \_\_\_\_\_.*

A. Am I willing to \_\_\_\_\_?

B. Am I willing to \_\_\_\_\_?