

The Power of His Resurrection

Philippians 3:10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death. NKJV

1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. NKJV

Intro:

- * The death and resurrection of Jesus are the greatest event in the history of humanity.
- * The cross of Jesus demonstrate the love of God but the resurrection of Jesus demonstrate the power of God!
- * The resurrection of our Lord makes us different from other religion. The God we serve is not dead, HE IS ALIVE!
- * The resurrection separates Christianity from all other religions.
- * It's impossible for you to live victoriously if you don't understand the significance and the power of His Resurrection.
- * Anything dead in your life today will be revived today!
- * His resurrection is a proof that we are serving a living God.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures. NKJV

I. The witnesses of His Resurrection (v5-8)

1 Corinthians 15:5-8 and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. NKJV

II. The worthlessness of life without Resurrection (v12-19)

1. Our preaching is in vain- V14

1 Corinthians 15:14 And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. NIV

2. Our faith is in vain- V14

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3. We are false witnesses- v15

I Corinthians 15:15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise. NKJV

4. We are still in sins- v17

I Corinthians 15:17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! NKJV

5. Those who died will perish - v18

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

6. We are all pitied- v19

1 Corinthians 15:19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. NIV

III. The wonders of His Resurrection (v20-22, 26-27)

I Corinthians 15:20-22 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. NKJV

1. His Resurrection guarantees and gives us assurance of salvation, forgiveness and justification.

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

Romans 4:25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. NIV

Romans 5:8-10 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, 9 Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. NKJV

2. His Resurrection, He became our High Priest in Heaven Interceding for us.

Romans 8:34 Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. NIV

3. His Resurrection gives us the assurance that we will be resurrected and live forever with God.

John 11:25-26 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. 26 And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this? NKJV

Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. NKJV

4. Through His Resurrection, He destroyed the power of sin and death and gave us new life.

Romans 6:3-4 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. NKJV

5. Through His Resurrection, the Holy Spirit is given to us.

Acts 2:32-33 This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. NKJV