

Why the Resurrection Matters

Jesus for Everyone Message Series Week 27

Luke 24:1-49

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Why does the resurrection matter?

- A. It confirms the deity of Jesus.** (Luke 22:70-23:3)

“Jesus was either a liar, a lunatic, or Lord.”

-C.S. Lewis

- B. It is the basis for our confidence of eternal life with Christ.** (1 Corinthians 15:21-22)

- C. It is a confirmation that Jesus is the Messiah, the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy, who paid the penalty for our sin.** (Isaiah 53:4, 5, 10)

Conclusion:

We need to choose...

- A. If the resurrection is a fraud, Christianity has no foundation and we should live for ourselves and this world.** (1 Corinthians 15:32b)

“Without the resurrection there is no Christianity. In fact, our own Bible tells us in 1 Corinthians 15 that if the resurrection did not happen and we believe it did, then we are fools.”

Thabiti Anyabwile, *Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in Luke*, B&H Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2018, p. 351.

- B. If the resurrection of Jesus is a historical event, we should...**

1. Fall on our knees in worship.
2. Surrender our lives to Jesus.
3. Follow Him daily.