

Ramifications of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:12-22

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“But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.” (NIV)

Because of the Resurrection I can know:

1. My Life as a Christian is Not _____ – ***And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile***

Key Truth: The resurrection gives a proper perspective to life’s problems.



2. My Failures are Not _____ – ***For since death came through a man***

1 John 1:9 - *“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”* (NIV)

3. My Death is Not _____ – ***in Christ all will be made alive***

Romans 1:4 - *“...and by being raised from the dead he was proved to be the mighty Son of God, with the holy nature of God himself.”* (TLB)

Key Truth: The power of the resurrection in your life is limited only by your acceptance.

“Dear God, I believe Jesus was who He claimed to be – Your Son, and that He proved it by rising from death. Jesus, thank You for dying for me on the Cross. I realize that only Your love could save me and I accept Your free gift of salvation. I want to get to know You and follow Your plan for my life. As much as I know how, I ask You to come into my life. Amen.”

