

## The Resurrection of Christ



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*1 Corinthians 15:58*

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Paul reminded the Corinthian believers of the **gospel**. Christ died for our sins. He was buried and was raised again on the third day.

Christ appeared to Cephas, the twelve, five hundred at once, James, all the apostles, and Paul.

Paul was amazed Christ was shown to him after he hurt the church. Paul could work more because of God's **grace**. Their belief was through God's grace.

If Christ was raised from the dead, how can some say there is no resurrection? If there is no resurrection, Christ could not have been raised. If Christ was not raised, our preaching and faith are empty. We are false witnesses, since we said God raised Christ.

We would still be in our sins. Those who have already died in Christ would have perished. If the only hope in this life is in Christ, we are to be pitied more than anyone.

Christ was raised from the dead. Through **Adam** all die. Through **Christ** all will be made alive. Those in Christ will be raised at His coming.

Jesus will deliver the kingdom to God the Father after He does away with all rule, authority, and power. He will reign until He puts all enemies under His feet including death. God is over everything. Everything is subject to God, even the Son is subject to the Father.

If the dead do not live again, then we can eat and drink as we want because all die. Beware, bad company corrupts good morals. Stop sinning since people around you have no knowledge of God.

How are the dead raised? What you sow has no life until it dies. You sow a bare grain, and God gives it a body. The flesh of man, beasts, birds, and fish is all different. Heavenly and earthly bodies are different. Their glory is different. The sun, moon, and stars are different in their glory like the resurrection of the dead. A

dying body is sown naturally in dishonor and weakness to be raised spiritually in **glory** and **power**. Adam was a living soul. The last Adam is a life-giving spirit. The **first** man is earthly, the **second** heavenly.

We have the image of the earthy, and will have the image of the heavenly. Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God. They will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. At the last trumpet there will be a trumpet sound. The dead will be raised, no longer able to die. Mortals become eternal.

Where is the victory and sting of death? The sting of death is sin. The power of sin is in the law. God gives victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

We should be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Your work is not in vain in the Lord.

They should set aside gifts for the saints. Paul would visit after going through Macedonia. He might spend the winter with them. Paul would stay in Ephesus until Pentecost since there were great opportunities and adversaries.

Paul asked them care for Timothy who was doing the Lord's work. Paul wanted Apollos to come to him, so Apollos would leave as soon as possible.

They should stand in the faith like strong men, acting in love. Paul wrote about a new believer in Achaia, Stephanos, who served the saints. The Corinthian believers should be subject to those who labor in the work. Stephanos, Fortunanus, and Achaicus had visited and encouraged him when others could not.

Paul sent greetings from the churches in Asia including Aquila and Priscilla and the church in their home. The brothers sent greetings. They should greet one another with a holy kiss. Paul wrote the greetings himself. He said anyone who did not love the Lord should be accursed. Maranatha. Paul prayed the grace of the Lord Jesus would be with them. He sent his love in Christ Jesus.

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QUESTIONS: What are some things Paul explained about the resurrection of Christ?  
What does Paul say about Adam? What does Paul say about future things?

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## Lesson 44: The Resurrection of Christ

Passage for Study : 1 Corinthians 15-16

**DAY 1**  **ACTIVITY PAGE:** Do as many of the activities as you can.

*Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. Trace these words.*

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for our sins.

*How many of the following words from 1 Corinthians 15-16  
can you find in the word search below?*

**Adam, beasts, birds, created, day, earth,  
fish, good, grass, heaven, land, light,  
man, moon, night, plants, sky, stars,  
sun, trees, vegetation, void, waters**

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## DAY 2 BIBLE STORY: Who can help you read the story? \_\_\_\_\_

Listen carefully as someone reads the passage and the story page to you this week. Be ready to tell them what you think is important about the passage and ask questions about things you do not understand. Get help with the following questions.

1. What do you think is important about the passage story?

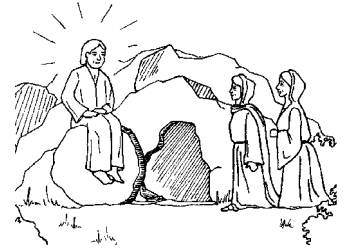
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2. How can this passage story help you grow?

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## DAY 3 BIBLE VERSE: 1 Corinthians 15:58

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## DAY 4 SENTENCE BLANKS: Please fill in the missing letters.

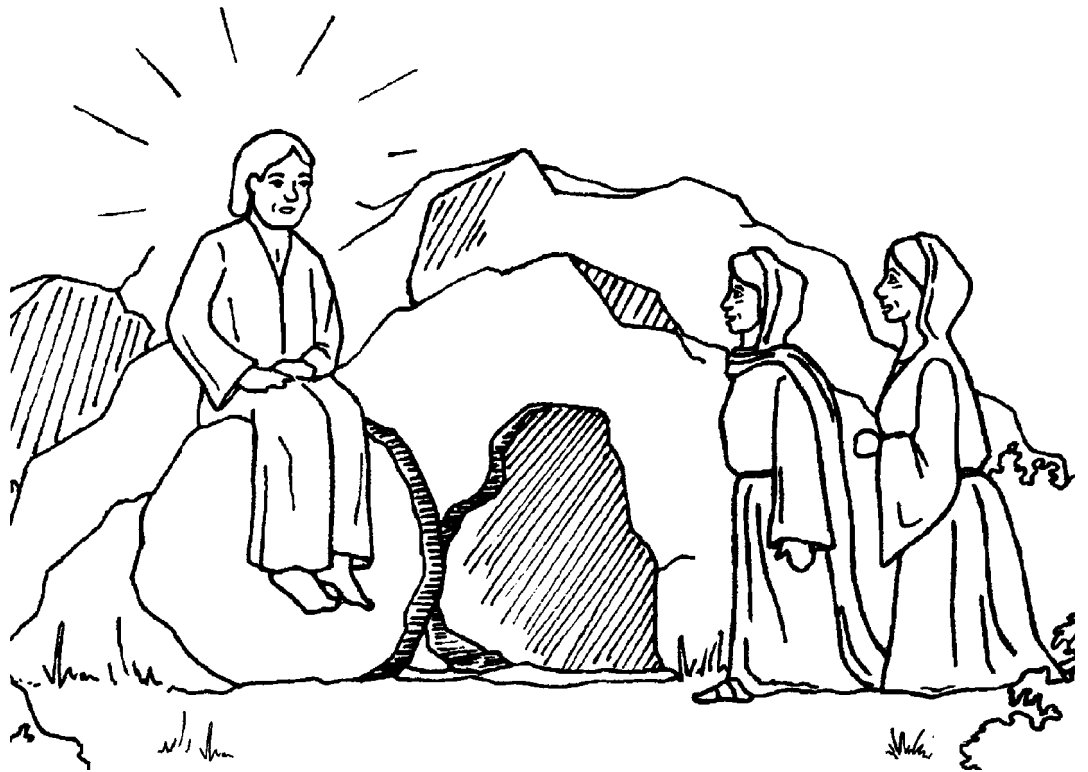
1. Christ \_\_\_\_ied for our sins, He was \_\_\_\_uried and was \_\_\_\_aised on the third day. (1 Cor. 15:3-4)
2. Now abide \_\_\_\_aith, \_\_\_\_ope, \_\_\_\_ove these three; but the greatest of these is love. (1 Cor. 15:10)
3. If there is no \_\_\_\_esurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been \_\_\_\_aised. (1 Cor. 15:13) As in Adam \_\_\_\_ll \_\_\_\_ie, so also in Christ \_\_\_\_ll shall be \_\_\_\_ade \_\_\_\_live. (1 Cor. 15:22)
4. Always \_\_\_\_bound in the \_\_\_\_ord of the Lord. Your \_\_\_\_oil is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Cor. 15:58)

## DAY 5 THINK, TALK, DO: What do you think; who can you talk with; what will you do?

1. Five witnesses to the well-documented resurrection of Jesus Christ are in 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Give the verses for each of these witnesses: a) the church \_\_\_\_\_, b) the Scriptures \_\_\_\_\_, c) eye witnesses \_\_\_\_\_, d) a special witness \_\_\_\_\_, e) the unity of the message by all the witnesses \_\_\_\_\_.
2. How is each of the witnesses to the resurrection important to you?
3. Three types of individuals witnessed the resurrection: a coward, an unbeliever, a persecuter of the church. Who were these men, and how are their testimonies significant?
4. Which chapter or truth of 1 Corinthians is most challenging (encouraging) to you, and how? What do you need to do?

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