

IF THERE IS NO RESURRECTION
1 Cor. 15:3-20

No resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:12-19

- **Theological** consequences of no resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:13-18
 - Christ is **still** in the grave. 1 Cor. 15:12-13; Is. 7:14; Matt. 1:23; 8:1-35; John 1:41; 4:25; 11:43-44; Mark 5:35-43; Luke 7:11-15
 - The **gospel** is worthless, meaningless and empty. 1 Cor. 15:14; 15:3-4; 2:1-4; 1:17-18
 - It is a waste of time to have **faith** in Christ. 1 Cor. 15:14; Hab. 2:4; Rom. 1:17; Heb. 10:38; Rom. 10:17; Heb. 11:1, 6
 - **Witnesses** of the resurrection are liars and so is Christ. 1 Cor. 15:15; Rom. 10:17; 2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:20-21
- Personal **consequences** of no resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:11-19
 - We are still controlled by **sin**. 1 Cor. 15:17; Rom. 3:23; 6:23; 4:24-25; John 8:32, 34; Rom. 6:6-18; John 8:1-11; Luke 19:1-9; Matt. 20:28
 - The believers before **us** have perished forever. 1 Cor. 15:18; John 3:16; Rom. 5:8; 1 John 2:1-2; Eph. 2:1-4; Heb. 11:1-40; John 8:1-11
 - We as believers are to be **pitied** by the world. 1 Cor. 15:19; Rom. 5:5; 9:33; 10:11; Matt. 26:42-56, 69-75

Yes, there was a resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:3-11

- **Teaching**. 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Ps. 16:8-11; 22:25-27; 40:1-3; Job. 1:17; 2:10; Matt. 12:40; Acts 2:25; Ps. 2:7; Acts 13:37; Hosea 6:2; Luke 24:25-27; Matt. 16:2; 17:9; 22:23; 20:18-19; 26:32-63
- **Appearance**. 1 Cor. 15:5-8; Matt. 28:16-17; Mark 16:14; Luke 24:13-34; John 20:11-17; 19:21, 26; Acts 9:1-9; John 21:1-11
- **Martyrdom**. Heb. 11:35-38

Application.

- Reliability of the **Word** of God.
- **Reality** of Jesus Christ.
- Response to **Christ** and the Word of God.

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Oh Happy Day

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Son of God

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Hope of the Broken World

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Christ is Risen He is Risen Indeed

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