

“THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE”!

(JOHN 20)

“but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” John 2:30-31

- Is the Resurrection of Jesus Christ all that significant?

I. DISCIPLES LEARN OF JESUS'S RESURRECTION (JOHN 20)

“they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.” 20:9

A. John, Peter, and Mary learn of His Resurrection. (20:1-18)

1. Mary Magdalene, John and Peter _____ the empty tomb. (20:1-10)

- What did John conclude?

2. Mary Magdalene _____ her risen SAVIOR. (20:11-18)

- What did Mary conclude?

B. The Disciples SEE the Resurrected Jesus Christ (20:19-23)

1. The Disciples gathered in _____. (20:19)

- How does Jesus greet the disciples?

2. Jesus gave the disciples _____ of His resurrected body. (20-23)

- How do the disciples respond to the Lord?

C. Thomas SEES the resurrected Jesus Christ (20:24-29)

- How does Thomas respond to the disciples' testimony?

- What does Thomas conclude about Jesus's resurrection?

II. PAUL PREACHED THE IMPORTANCE OF JESUS'S RESURRECTION (1 COR. 15)

A. The Gospel of Jesus Christ **MUST** proclaim His Resurrection. (15:1-11; John 20:9)

1. Jesus Christ's resurrection is ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES. (1-4)

Old Testament

New Testament

2. Jesus Christ's resurrection was SEEN BY HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE. (5-10)

3. Jesus Christ's resurrection is PREACHED IN THE GOSPEL. (11)

- Do you preach a risen Savior?

B. Preaching the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is LOGICAL / SIGNIFICANT. (15:12-49)

1. If Christ DID NOT RISE, then ...

- ✓ our preaching and faith are EMPTY. (12-14)
- ✓ we are false WITNESSES. (15)
- ✓ our faith is WORTHLESS, and we are STILL IN OUR SINS, our loved ones have PERISHED, and we are the MOST PITIABLE PEOPLE ALIVE! (16-19)

2. "But CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD....." therefore...

- ✓ He has CONQUERED DEATH by bringing LIFE. (20-28)
- ✓ Our SERVICE and SACRIFICE is reasonable. (29-34)
- ✓ We shall receive a NEW HEAVENLY BODY. (35-50)
- ✓ Your transformation into COMPLETE IMMORTALITY and VICTORY could happen in the twinkling of an eye.

"THEREFORE, my beloved brethren, BE STEADFAST, IMMOVABLE, always **ABOUNDING IN THE WORK OF THE LORD, KNOWING** that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."