

RISEN



1 Corinthians 15

HISTORICITY OF THE RESURRECTION

- ① Jesus died
- ② Jesus was buried
- ③ Jesus was raised
- ④ Resurrection was predicted
- ⑤ Jesus appeared to many

HISTORICITY OF THE RESURRECTION

- ① Disciples stole the body



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Charles Colson

“I know the resurrection is a fact, and Watergate proved it to me. How? Because 12 men testified they had seen Jesus raised from the dead, then they proclaimed that truth for 40 years, never once denying it. Every one was beaten, tortured, stoned and put in prison. They would not have endured that if it weren’t true. Watergate embroiled 12 of the most powerful men in the world – and they couldn’t keep a lie for three weeks. You’re telling me 12 apostles could keep a lie for 40 years? Absolutely impossible.”

HISTORICITY OF THE RESURRECTION

- ① Disciples stole the body
- ② Jewish leaders stole the body
- ③ Disciples went to the wrong tomb
- ④ All the witnesses were delusional
- ⑤ Jesus woke up and escaped

Marcus Borg

“As a child, I took it for granted that Easter meant that Jesus literally rose from the dead. I now see Easter very differently. For me, it is irrelevant whether or not the tomb was empty. Whether Easter involved something remarkable happening to the physical body of Jesus is irrelevant.”

John Updike

“Make no mistake: if He rose at all it was as His body; if the cells’ dissolution did not reverse, the molecules reknit, the amino acids rekindle, the Church will fall....”

THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

- ① Your debt became transferable

THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

- ② Your death became temporary

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Hebrews 2:14 – 15

Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

- ③ Your future became hopeful

THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

④ Your present became meaningful

1 Corinthians 15:32

If the dead are not raised, “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.”

Sir Robert Anderson

“Apart from [the resurrection], the incarnation and the ministry would lose all their significance. The crucifixion would be but a martyrdom, and the cross a symbol of the victory of death over life. By the Resurrection the Crucified One was ‘declared to be the Son of God with power,’ the great truth on which the Christian's faith is founded, and to which his hope is anchored.”

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