

THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST **(1 Corinthians 15:12-20)**

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Today, Easter – Resurrection Sunday is the annual celebration to honor the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.** It is a Christian holiday to celebrate the bodily resurrection of Christ from the dead – three days after He was crucified.
- “³For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; ⁴And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures” (1 Cor 15:3-4).

In this message, we will study the negative consequences of denying the Resurrection of Christ and the consequences of the Resurrection of Christ.

I. THE NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF DENYING THE REURRECTION OF CHRIST (vv. 13-19)

If Christ Be Not Raised From The Dead (v. 13):

- A. Our Preaching is in Vain** (v. 14a)
- B. Our Faith is in Vain** (v. 14b, 17a)
- C. We Are False Witnesses of God** (v. 15a; Acts 2:32)
- D. We are Still In Our Sins** (v. 17b)
- E. Our Loved Ones Would Be Unraiseable** (v. 18; 1 Thess 4:13-18)
- F. Our Lives Would Be Miserable (Pitied)** (v. 19; John 3:16; 1 Cor 15:32)

II. THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST (v. 20)

Because of the Resurrection of Christ: (v. 20)

- A. Our Sins Have Been Forgiven** (v. 17; 1 Cor 6:20; Col 1:14; Rom 5:9; 2 Cor 5:21; Gal 2:20; Col 1:13; Phil 3:20-21; 1 John 3:2)
- B. Our Preaching is True** (v. 14a, 18; Rev 22:7; Eph 1:7; Titus 2:13; 1 Thess 4:13-18)
- C. Our Faith is Well-Founded** (v. 14b, 17b; Acts 16:30-31)
- D. We Are True Witnesses of God** (v. 15a; Acts 4:12)
- E. Our Lives Will Not Be Miserable (Pitied)** (v. 19; 1 Pet 1:3)

CONCLUSION:

- A. Christ the Lord is Risen Today**
- B. Because He Lives** (Rom 6:23; Rev 1:18)
- C. Jesus is Alive – Jesus is Alive – Jesus is Alive!**

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).