

## ***Resurrection Implications***

*1 Corinthians 15:12-28*

**1. No Resurrection,** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 12-13, 16)

- Christianity wouldn't exist if it wasn't for the resurrection of Christ.
- Faith alone in the person and work (death and resurrection of Jesus Christ) is what saves man's soul from God's holy wrath upon sin.
- God has spoken plainly about resurrection in His Word, Jesus spoke of His own resurrection, both Christ and His apostles raised people from the dead, and the Church will experience resurrection on the Last Day.

**2. No Resurrection,** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 14-15)

- If Jesus didn't rise from the dead, all of our preaching would be for nothing.
- If we claim that our message is from Almighty God but we preach faulty information we misrepresent the LORD and blaspheme His name and nature. The LORD is not a God of confusion, but of truth. "God is not a man, that he should lie ..." (Num. 23:19).
- Because Christ has risen we should desire to live in the power of His resurrection (Phil. 3:10-11) and we should proclaim the gospel of His resurrection as we evangelize to the world.
- The resurrection of Christ is a non-negotiable for us. Faith in this monumental event in redemptive history is what separates biblical Christianity from any other world religion or cult. The bodily, physical, and literal resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ is essential to the Gospel; therefore, it is essential for salvation.

**3. No Resurrection,** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 16-19)

- We would be wasting our lives following Jesus if He was still dead.
- Jesus' death alone is insufficient to save us from our sins. The substitutionary death of Christ minus the resurrection is an incomplete gospel.
- Christ has conquered death through His resurrection; therefore, salvation is given freely and applied to those who believe and instead of pity we have hope.

**4. The** \_\_\_\_\_ (20-28)

- Firstfruits, *aparkha* (Gk.): Refers to a person who is superior in excellence to others of the same class.
- Where Adam caused death, Jesus is able to resuscitate.
- If you desire to rise and see life, you must submit yourself completely to the One who died and rose again for your salvation. He is coming soon to judge, make war, and establish His Kingdom.