

Living from a Resurrection Perspective

I Corinthians 15

Verses 1-11 the Gospel

- ▣ Verses 3 & 4 Summary of the Gospel.
- ▣ Christ died. (must have lived first!)
- ▣ Christ was buried. (Really Dead!)
- ▣ Christ rose again.
- ▣ According to the Scriptures.
 - Genesis 3 v15
 - Psalm 22, Job 16 & 17.
 - Isaiah 53 etc., etc., etc.
- ▣ According to Eye Witnesses.
 - Peter, 12 Apostles, 500 people at once, James, Paul.

According to The Scriptures

- ▣ Leviticus 23. God's Feasts
- ▣ Passover. v 5.
- ▣ Unleavened Bread. v 6.
- ▣ First Fruits. v 11-12.
- ▣ Feast of Weeks – Pentecost. v 15.
- ▣ Still to Come:-
 - Trumpets. v 24.
 - Tabernacles. v 34.

The Significance of the Resurrection

v. 12-19.

- ▣ If no Resurrection, Jesus not Risen.
- ▣ If Jesus not Risen, then we're talking Rubbish.
- ▣ If Jesus not Risen, then our faith is futile.
- ▣ If Jesus not Risen, we're doomed as Sinners.
- ▣ If Jesus not Risen, the dead have had it.
- ▣ If Jesus not Risen, this life is all we've got and we've been wasting it living on a false hope.

But.... Jesus is Risen from The Dead v. 20-28.

- ▣ The First-fruits from the Dead.
- ▣ Reversing the fall under Adam.
- ▣ If there are First-fruits there are more to come!
- ▣ God's order remains to be fulfilled.
- ▣ Death defeated yet to be destroyed.
- ▣ The Son hands all over to the Father.

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- ▣ Is our risky living pointless?
- ▣ I Die Everyday!!!!!!
- ▣ Were those battles I fought a waste of time?
- ▣ Should I not just make the most of the pleasures of this life, if death is the end of everything?
- ▣ I'd probably go from bad to worse.
- ▣ WAKE UP to Righteousness!
- ▣ There are still some who have never even heard of God.... To our shame!!!

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- ▣ New Creation Has Come. 2 Cor 5
- ▣ Eternal Life is here. Luke 18
- ▣ In whose hands are our destinies.
- ▣ If any man lack wisdom....ask of God.

The Bucket List

- ▣ Take 5 minutes to think of no more than 3 things you want to accomplish for God, whilst you still are living this side of eternity.

How will it be? What will I look like?

v. 35-49.

- ▣ The Power of God. The life giving Spirit.
- ▣ You'll look like yourself.
- ▣ The first-fruit example Jesus. The same...but different.
- ▣ Resurrection not resuscitation.
- ▣ Like Jesus. 1 John 3 v1-2.
- ▣ The Image of God.

The Ultimate Victory

v. 50-57.

- ▣ It's a Mystery.
- ▣ All will be changed, in an instant.
- ▣ Death Sin Corruption all swallowed up in God's Victory.
- ▣ So What?
- ▣ By Faith we have that Victory Now!

Conclusion

v. 58.

- ▣ Steadfast
- ▣ Unmovable
- ▣ Abounding in Work of the Lord.
- ▣ It's not Wasted.
- ▣ Luke 12 v 4-7 Message.
- ▣ 2 Corinthians Message.