

Study notes based on Easter Sunday 2018

1 Corinthians 15 :1-24

The Importance of the Resurrection

1. Look over the reading from 1 Corinthians 15 and see why Paul argues the resurrection is crucial to our faith.
2. Consider how the resurrection confirms Jesus identity. See Matthew 12:39-40; John 2:14-22; Romans 1:4
3. Consider how the resurrection gives confidence that sins are forgiven. 1 Corinthians 15:17; Hebrews 9:24-28 (NB in the times of the Temple the survival of the sacrificing priest on the day of atonement indicated that God has accepted the sacrifice.
4. Consider how the resurrection gives us hope of life after death. See John 11:25; 1 Corinthians 15:12-18,20; Ephesians 2:6;1 Peter 1:3-5)
5. Consider how the resurrection demonstrates Jesus victory over His enemies. Revelation 1: 18; Revelation 5:5-8.
6. Consider how the resurrection gives us hope for the here and now. 'Because He lives I can face tomorrow.' Is 'life worth the living just because I know He lives?' Matthew 28:20; Romans 8:31-39.