

It's Time to Celebrate!

Mark 16:1-8

The other Gospel accounts of the resurrection of Jesus Christ:
Matthew 28:1-8, Luke 24:1-12, John 20:1-13

➤ **The event of the resurrection casts out fear.** (6a)

“Don't be alarmed...”

1. Jesus Christ, who is God, always keeps His Word:
Matthew 16:21; 17:22-23; 20:17-19
Luke 9:22; 44; 18:31-34

2. The historical events and facts of the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Application:

“Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.”

Jesus Christ – Revelation 1:17b-18

➤ **The evidence of the resurrection gives us hope.** (6b)

“He has risen! He is not here.”

“...and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith also is vain.”

1 Corinthians 15:14

1. Theories of the Resurrection: Unknown tomb, wrong tomb, legend, spiritual resurrection, hallucination, Passover plot, resuscitation (swoon), body stolen by the disciples, existential resurrection.

2. The Truth: Historical Resurrection

3. Death: The fatal blow is delivered.

Philippians 1:21; Romans 8:11, 6:4

Hebrews 2:14-15; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Application:

“And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.”

1 Corinthians 15:17-18

➤ **The edict of the resurrection requires our response. (7-8)**

“But go, tell...”

1. Definition of an edict = “An official public proclamation or order issued by authority; decree”

2. Dealing with the doubters. Luke 16:31

Application:

“Come and see...go quickly and tell.” Matthew 28: 6-7

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