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1 Corinthians 15:17, *And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins. 18 In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost! 19 And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world. 20 But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead!*

What Are The Facts Of The Resurrection?

Fact #1: Jesus Died By Roman CRUCIFIXION

Josephus wrote: "...Pilate, upon hearing Him accused by men of the highest standing amongst us, had condemned Him to be crucified...."

Romans 5:8, *But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

Fact #2: The Tomb Jesus Was Buried In Was EMPTY

Matthew 28:12, *When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, 13 telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole Him away while we were asleep.'*

Luke 24:1, *But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. 2 And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*

Acts 2:23, *This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put Him to death by nailing Him to the cross. 24 But God raised Him from the dead...*

Fact #3: There Were Hundreds Of Witnesses To The RISEN JESUS

Acts 3:14, *You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. 15 You killed the Author of Life, But God raised Him from the dead. We are witnesses of this.*

1 Corinthians 15:3, *For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that He appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 6 After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. 7 Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all He appeared to me also...*

Fact #4: Many People Changed Their Minds About Jesus After The RESURRECTION

1 Corinthians 15:57, *But thanks be to God, Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.*

Tertullian wrote: Peter was crucified and Paul was beheaded under Nero, who was the first emperor to execute Christians.

Romans 6:23, *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Fact #5: What Do These Facts Of The Resurrection Mean For Us?

Ephesians 2:1, *And you were dead in the trespasses and sins... 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved... 8 For by grace*

you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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