

Easter Sermon 2016
Why Easter Matters
1 Corinthians 15:3-7, 12-20 (page 801)

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If Easter did not happen then..... (1 Cor 15:12-19)

- Christ is not risen
(vs 12-13,16; Gal 4:4; 1 Tim 2:5; Luke 24:36-42)
- Preaching is meaningless and faith is without substance (v 14; Rom 10:9-10; Heb 11:32-40)
- The apostles are liars (v 15; John 2:20-22; 11:23-25; 11:23-25; Luke 18:31-33; Mark 8:31; Matt 12:38-40 20:26-29; Acts 1:21-22)
- Faith is futile because we are still in our sins
(v 17; Rom 4:25; 5:8-9; 6:4)
- We are without hope (v 18; 1 Cor 15:32; Eph 2:12)
- We are to be pitied (v 19)

But Christ did rise from the dead (1 Cor 15:20)

- Because Jesus lives everything is CHANGED!
(v 20; Rom 10:14-17; Gal 2:20; John 14:6, 19; Col 2:13-14; 2 Cor 4:17; 1 Cor 15:58)