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Easter Sunday

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NO SURPRISE, JESUS IS ALIVE 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Big Idea: *The gospel includes the death, burial, AND resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

TEXT:

“Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷ then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸ and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.”

1. The gospel is not complete without the resurrection.

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3 Essentials of the Gospel:

- A.) Christ died for our sins. (3)
- B.) Christ was buried. (4)
- C.) Christ was raised. (4)

2. The gospel demands a response.

² “By which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.”

Romans 10:9 “That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Revelation 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.”

Notes: