

The Mystery of Resurrection

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The Proclamation of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:3–8 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins **ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES**, (4) and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day **ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES**, (5) and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. (6) After that He **WAS SEEN** by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. (7) After that He **WAS SEEN** by James, then by all the apostles. (8) Then last of all He **WAS SEEN** by me also, as by one born out of due time.

Are The Apostles Frauds, Fools, or Faithful Witnesses

- **Frauds:** Could the moral goods of Christianity be the result of a hoax that survived persecution?
- **Fools:** Can a motley crew from an insane asylum survive persecution to change the world?
- **Faithful Witnesses:** Can a motley crew of losers be transformed by the power of witnessing the resurrected Christ and change the world?

The Proofs of the Resurrection

1Co 15:12–18 Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? (13) But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. (14) And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty...

The Proofs of the Resurrection

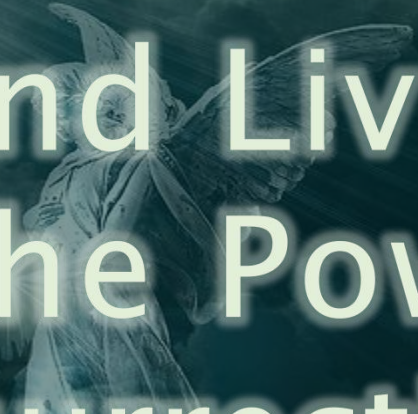
1 Corinthians 15:12–18 ...(15) Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise. (16) For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. (17) And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! (18) Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

The Proofs of the Resurrection

- If there is no Resurrection
- Then Jesus is not raised
- If Jesus is not raised
 - Preaching is powerless
 - Faith is powerless
 - The Apostles are false witnesses
 - **YOU ARE STILL IN YOUR SINS!!!!!!!**



Transformed Lives and Living
Faith Demonstrate the Power
and Reality of the Resurrection

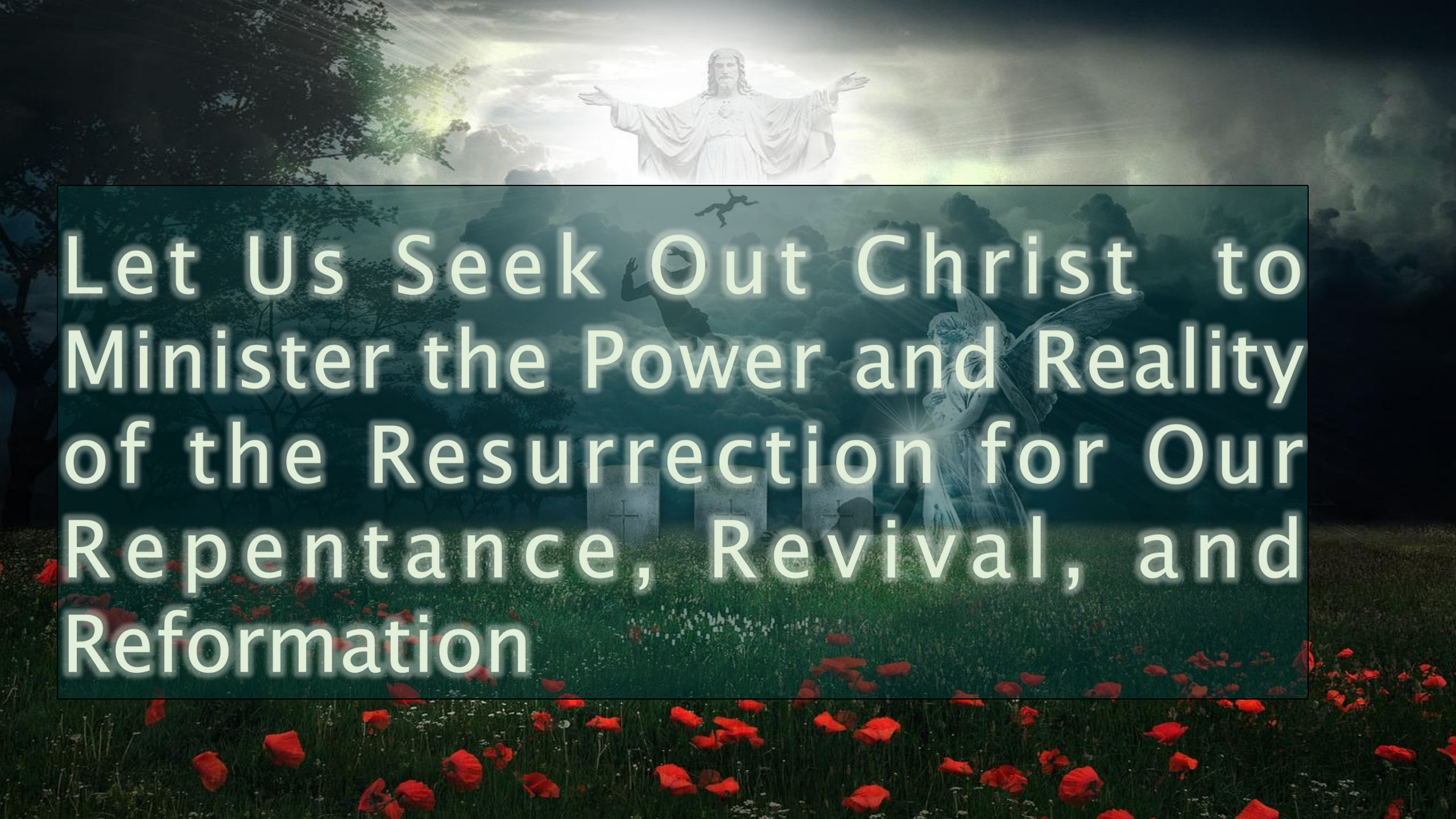


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1 Corinthians 15:22-26 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. (23) But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming. (24) Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. (25) **FOR HE MUST REIGN TILL HE HAS PUT ALL ENEMIES UNDER HIS FEET.** (26) The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.



Let Us Seek Out Christ to
Minister the Power and Reality
of the Resurrection for Our
Repentance, Revival, and
Reformation



We Shall Partake in the Resurrection

1Co 15:50–57 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. (51) Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— (52) in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed...

The Perpetuity of the Resurrection

1Co 15:50–57 ... (53) For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. (54) So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY." (55) "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING? O HADES, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY?" (56) The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. (57) But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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