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Resurrection Realities Pt. 1

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Series: Following Jesus in the Real World

Central Passage

1 Corinthians 15:3–4 (ESV) — 3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures...

Central Thought: The Christian gospel – the good news – is the declaration of a historical, transformative event – the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus – in accordance with and as the fulfillment of the Old Testament scriptures.

- ❖ The Content of the Gospel: The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus.

*Matthew 16:21 (ESV) — 21 From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he **must** go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.*

- ❖ The Confrontation of the Gospel: Belief or Disbelief.

*Mark 1:14–15 (ESV) — 14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; **repent and believe** in the gospel."*

Acts 2:37–38 (ESV) — 37 Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" 38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

- ❖ The Call of the Gospel: Obedience or Indifference.

John 14:15 (ESV) — 15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

Hebrews 11:6–8 (ESV) — 6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. 7 By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household... 8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance...

- ❖ The Consequence of the Gospel: Salvation or Separation

*John 3:16–21 (ESV) — 16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. 18 **Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.** 19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. 21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."*