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**Matthew 28; 1 Corinthians 15**

## **Tell Others About the Resurrection**

When you have some really big or exciting news, do you tell your friends and loved ones, or do you keep it to yourself? If you're like most people, you tell everyone you know.

Think about the ways we tell others our good news. We send out wedding announcements so our friends and loved ones know about an upcoming marriage. Young couples have "gender reveal" parties and events. We tell people verbally and through text messages. Probably the biggest way people today tell others their good news is through social media.

This week is Easter and our lesson is about the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the single greatest event in the history of mankind. What should we do with the exciting news of Jesus' resurrection?

- Mt. 28:1-6**      The women found the empty tomb and the angel told them that Jesus was alive.
- Mt. 28:7**      What did the angel tell the women to do?
- Mt. 28:8**      What did the women do?
- Mt. 28:9**      The women encountered the risen Jesus.
- Mt. 28:10**     What did Jesus tell them to do?

The women went and told the disciples that Jesus was alive and where they were to meet Him. The chief priests bribed the soldiers into saying that Jesus' disciples had stolen His body.

- Mt. 28:16-18**    The disciples met Jesus. What did He tell them?
- Mt. 28:19**      What instructions did Jesus give His disciples?
- Mt. 28:20**      What promise did He make?

The angel told the women to tell others about the resurrection. Jesus told the women to tell others about the resurrection. Jesus told the disciples to tell everyone on earth about the resurrection.

Why is the resurrection so important? Read the following verses.

### **PROOFS OF THE RESURRECTION**

- 1 Cor. 15:3**      Why did Jesus die?
- 1 Cor. 15:4**      "He was \_\_\_\_\_, and that He \_\_\_\_\_ again the \_\_\_\_\_ day according to the \_\_\_\_\_."
- 1 Cor. 15:5**      Who saw Jesus after He arose from the dead?
- 1 Cor. 15:6**      Who else saw Him?

1 Cor. 15:7 Who else saw Jesus?

## IMPORTANCE OF THE RESURRECTION

- 1 Cor. 15:14 What is vain, if Christ did **not** arise from the dead?
- 1 Cor. 15:15 If Jesus didn't arise, then Paul, Peter, John, and all the other New Testament writers are liars.
- 1 Cor. 15:17 "And if Christ be not raised, your \_\_\_\_\_ is vain; ye are yet in your \_\_\_\_\_." **If Jesus didn't arise from the dead, then you are still LOST.**
- 1 Cor. 15:18 What about Christians who have already died?
- 1 Cor. 15:19 "If in this life \_\_\_\_\_ we have \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ, we are of all men \_\_\_\_\_."
- 1 Cor. 15:20 "But now is Christ \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_."
- 1 Cor. 15:21 Adam's sin brought death upon the entire human race.
- 1 Cor. 15:22 "For as in Adam all \_\_\_\_\_, even so in Christ shall all be made \_\_\_\_\_."

Many people saw Jesus after His resurrection. In fact, the resurrection is one of the best-documented facts in human history. Even secular historians attest to the fact of Jesus' resurrection.

Because Jesus Christ arose from the dead, salvation is available to everyone who will sincerely confess their sins and trust Jesus.

**Concluding Thoughts:** When you learn really good news, do you keep it to yourself? Of course not, you happily tell everyone you know about it.

In Matthew 28, did you notice that everyone who learned about the resurrection was instructed to **tell others**? Will you tell others about Jesus' resurrection? Who do you know that needs to hear that Good News? Will you tell them?

If Jesus had not arisen from the dead, then no one could be saved, we would have no hope, and the Bible would simply be a book of lies. But Jesus **DID** arise, and for the last 2,000 years that fact has changed the lives and eternal destinies of millions of people.

If you've never accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, what more proof do you need? Read the verses printed on the back of this book. Confess your sins and ask Jesus to save you right now.

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**Project:** Memorize **Matthew 28:18-20**. Look for opportunities to tell others about Jesus' resurrection this week.