

Theme: The Apostles' Creed: Resurrection "on the Third Day"

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"For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures." (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

"And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (1 Corinthians 15:14)

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the most important foundation of the Christian faith. If Christ is not risen, our sins will not be forgiven, we cannot beat death and have hope of resurrection from the dead. But Christ really did rise from the dead, showing that He is a living God, He is all powerful, proving that we can experience the renewal of life brought by the power of His resurrection as He promised. The resurrection of Jesus brings the greatest hope to all mankind!

Reflection

- Do I believe Jesus Christ truly rose from the dead? How can I confirm the truth of His resurrection?
- If Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead, what kind of person would I become?

Renew

- Please take some time to read Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, and John 20 to sort out the evidence that you think Jesus is resurrected. If possible, refer to Josh McDowell's "Evidence That Demands a Verdict" in your review of the evidence of Jesus' resurrection.
- Pray that God will help me experience the transformational power of Jesus' resurrection. (Ephesians 1:19-20; Philippians 3:10-11)

Prayer requests

- Pray that my life may be a living testimony of the resurrection of Christ.
- Pray that the church may be a powerful testimony to God, so that countless non-believers can see the glory of God from the testimony of the church, and return to God.
- Pray for the renewal of the world in morality and spirituality. May many experience greater renewal of the Holy Spirit, come to saving faith, and be released from immorality and bondage to sin.
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