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Doubts **Answers**

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Did Jesus Rise from the Dead? 1Cor15:1-11

The Gospel is head sound (rational) and heart satisfying (relational). Christ not only appeals to our minds but He also fills our hearts.

The Resurrection is Head Sound:

- 1) **Early Accounts** vv3-4 (Creed 24-36 mos. After the life of Jesus; 1Cor. Written 15 years after the life of Jesus refuting the idea this is legend)
- 2) **Empty Tomb** v4 (Matt/Mark/Luke/John/Acts all report the empty tomb; Acts 26:26 Paul goes before King Agrippa/Gov. Festus)
- 3) **Eyewitness Testimony** vv5-8 (Cephas, the twelve, more than 500, James & Paul many who were tortured to death)
- 4) **Emergence of the Church** vv9-11 (Book of Acts & Paul's letters to the Churches)

The Resurrection is Heart Satisfying:

Because Jesus rose from the dead...

- 1) **He really is who He said He is: Revealer of God.**
(John14:6)
- 2) **He really did what He said He would do: Redeemer of man.** (John 3:16)
- 3) **We Can Live A Life Most Only Dream of Living:** v10
"Grace" 3xs (Eph2:8-9; John10:10)
 - **Past Sins Are Forgiven (Justification).** (Rom8:1)
 - **Present Problems Conquered (Sanctification).**
(Rom8:28-32)
 - **Future in Heaven Secure (Glorification).**
(Rom8:18; 2Cor4:17)

John 11:25-26 Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

How do you come to terms with Jesus completely giving Himself for you? By you completely giving yourself to Him! Vv1-2 Receive, Stand & Hold Fast to the Gospel or you have believed in vain.



Growing

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- 1) Most who reject Christianity don't know what they're rejecting & most who accept it don't fully live in it. Agree or disagree? Explain. The Gospel is both head sound (rational) & heart satisfying (relational). Why is that an important balance to keep (2Tim3:5; 1Cor15:17; John4:24)?
- 2) Read 1Cor.15:1-11. What stands out to you from this text? Review the four pieces of evidence validating the resurrection of Christ from the sermon notes. Which one(s) are the most compelling to you? What are the implications of Acts 26:26 read in its context?
- 3) The Christian life is not only head sound but also heart satisfying. Explain. What does it mean that if Jesus rose from the grave then He is who He said He is (John14:6) and did what He said He would do (John3:16) so that now we can live a life most only dream of living (Eph2:8-10; John 10:10)?
- 4) What are the three characteristics of this salvation & fullness of life Jesus came to give us? Paraphrase John 11:25-26. What is the promise and the premise to the promise?
- 5) Why do you think the only way to come to terms with Jesus completely giving Himself for you is by you completely giving yourself to Him? What does it mean that we must "receive", "stand" & "hold fast" to the Gospel or we have "believed in vain"? Pray it!