

Easter: A Resurrection of Trust
March 31, 2024

1 Corinthians 15: 14, 17 - If Christ has not been raised from the dead, then you cannot trust God!

1 Corinthians 15:20 - *But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead.*

Jesus Predicts His Resurrection

John 2:19 - The temple will be destroyed and built again in 3 days

Mark 8:31 - After 3 days he will rise again.

Matthew 12:39-40 - The sign of Jonah

Matthew 27:63 - The soldiers knew of Jesus' prophecy

Yet, no one was waiting for his resurrection! Why?

Fulfilled Scriptures

Matthew 27:62-66 - Soldiers guarded the tomb because Jesus said he would rise in three days.

Matthew 28:6 - Jesus has risen "as he said."

Mark 16:7 - The angel said, "There you will see him, just as he told you."

Luke 24:6-8 - "Remember how he told you..."

Luke 24:13-27 - Jesus interpreted all the Scriptures concerning himself.

Luke 24:36-46 - Jesus opened their minds to the Scriptures while they disbelieved.

Christ's resurrection happened exactly according to the Scriptures.

What God says, He will do.

Exodus 13-14 - God sent them a more difficult route so that their eyes would be on his glory instead of their enemies.

The resurrection proves who Jesus is — *“And Jesus Christ our Lord was shown to be the Son of God when God powerfully raised him from the dead by means of the Holy Spirit.”* **Romans 1:4**

No matter what you face today, Jesus is still Lord.

Luke 24:32 - *Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?*

Meditation

What has changed about my understanding of God?

What did Scripture teach me about myself?

What needs to change in my life as a result of this sermon?

How might God be using my current trial to turn my focus upon His glory?

How would focusing more on God as opposed to my circumstances help me to stand firm in my trial?