



Fall 2018 Series – Christianity Explored – Oct 29

Message: Resurrection: Why Did Jesus Rise?

Scripture Mark 15:33- 16:9

Weekly Reading: Mark 12:1- 13:37

Jesus predicts His Death and Resurrection.

- True Prophet. (Mark 8:31-33; 9:31-35; 10:33-41)

Jesus Died and was Buried. (Mark 15:33-47)

- Proof He died – Pilate, Joseph, Centurion, Marys.
- Grave Visit.
- True Priest.
- Jesus died to pay for all our sin.

Jesus was Resurrected. (Mark 16:1-20)

- Alive and Well.
- Not a Resuscitation (Swoon) but a Resurrection.
- Not a Hallucination but a Resurrection experience.
- Not a Conspiracy but the disciples' loyalty to the resurrection.
- Jesus rose from the dead to prove that our sin was truly paid for forever.

Jesus is Ruling as King. (Hebrews 4:16; Rev. 1:4; Col 3:1)

- The resurrection guarantees that one day we will all be physically raised from the dead. And Jesus will be our Judge.

Jesus wants us to Go and Share the Good News. (Mark 16:7)

- Hope and a Warning
- Live each day by faith in resurrection life.
- Because of Jesus we can trust Jesus with our own death. Are we ready to meet him?

The Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ show he is our only Saviour King.

Life Group Questions

1. Take time as a group to re-read Mark 15:33-16:20
2. Why is the resurrection of Jesus so important in understanding why Jesus came?
3. Do you believe Jesus rose from the dead? Why or why not?
4. What would have happened to the disciples and us if Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead? (1Cor. 15:1-58)
5. The Sadducees were a group of religious leaders who did not believe in the resurrection. In Mark 12:18-23 they tried to make Jesus look foolish with their question about the resurrection. What did Jesus say in response to their lack of belief? (Mark 12:24)
6. What other criticism does Jesus make of religious leaders? (Mark 12:38-40)
7. Is it possible to be religious, respected and still reject Jesus?
8. What does it mean to live by faith in resurrection life?
9. How does this living change our life attitude and purpose?