

ZWINGLI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
ADULT BIBLE STUDY

RESURRECTION HOPE

1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 12-14,
20-23, 42-45



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1 Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, 2 through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. 3 For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, 4 and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. 6 Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. 8 Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. 21 For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; 22 for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 42 So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. 43 It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

Lesson Overview

1

Remember What Christ has Done

Remember His Death
Confirm His Burial & Resurrection
Witness His Appearance
vv. 1-8

2

Rejoice in the Fact of His Resurrection

He Arose for Real
Resurrection fulfills Salvation
It is Central to our Proclamation
vv. 12-14, 20-23, 42-45

**DEVOTIONAL READING
ISAIAH 53:4-12**



Meaningful Words

PEOPLE WHO PUT THEMSELVES ON THE LINE AND SACRIFICE THEIR OWN SAFETY FOR THE GREATER GOOD AND FOR OTHERS, AND ANYONE IN ANY PROFESSION WHOSE CONCERN IS THE WELFARE FOR OTHER PEOPLE INSTEAD OF THE INDIVIDUAL, ARE INSPIRING AND IMPORTANT.

Chris Hemsworth



Devotional Meditation

BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS, CRUSHED FOR OUR INIQUITIES; UPON HIM WAS THE PUNISHMENT THAT MADE US WHOLE, AND BY HIS BRUISES WE ARE HEALED.

Isaiah 53:5



Part 1: Remember His Sacrifice for Us

VV.1-8

"...hold firmly to the Message..."

"...He was raised on the third day..."

"...he appeared also to me..."

- Pandemics will not deter our Conviction
- Scriptures outline the steps of sacrifice Christ endured in our behalf
- Our Faith is tethered to His overcoming the grave
- The Women at the Tomb attest...
- The Disciples in the room attest...
- Apostle Paul on Damascus road attests...



Part 2: Proclaim the Power of His Resurrection

VV. 12-14, 20-23, 42-45

Fact Not Fiction

First Fruits

From Adam to Savior

- Resurrection validates the Good News
- Resurrection fulfills Prophecy
- Resurrection is central to our Message
- Christ's death precedes all death since Adam
- Christ's Resurrection lights the path
- Our Proclamation is not in Vain
- Since Adam all have perished, yet through Christ we are made Alive.



Gospel Witness to the Resurrection

Mark 16:1-8

1 When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. **2** And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. **3** They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" **4** When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. **5** As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. **6** But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. **7** But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." **8** So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**Let Us Share Christ's Peace and Promise during
Resurrection Sunday**

