

**Series:** 1 Corinthians: The gospel calls Christians to holiness in every area of life.

**Title:** Christianity stands or falls on the bodily resurrection of Jesus.

**Text:** 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

**One:** Forgetting the gospel. v.12

**Two:** A Really Big If. v.13

**Three:** The Dire Consequences. v.13-19

- If there is no bodily resurrection of the dead, then...
- ...not even Christ has been raised
- ...preaching is worthless
- ...personal faith is worthless
- ...gospel witnesses are liars
- ...you are still accountable for your sin
- ...you will face judgment, like all others
- ...the Christian faith is pitiable.

**Conclusion:**

- The stark contrast of truth.
- The unstated logic...the Christian faith is enviable.

## For Further Study/Application

*"They received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so" ~ Acts 17:11*

Use the following symbols as study tools for our text or your own reading schedule: a light bulb (something to see), a question mark (something to ask), an arrow (something to do), a Bible (somewhere else to look), & a person (someone to tell).



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- Review some Old Testament verses on the resurrection: Job 19:26 with Psalm 17:15; Ezekiel 37:1-4; Daniel 12:2
- ...and some New Testament verses: John 6:44; John 11:25; Acts 4:1-2; 1 Thess 4:16; 2 Corinthians 4:14
- How does Romans 1:1-4 unfold the significance of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead?

## For Life in the Body

Use this space to write down (1) names to remember, (2) requests for which to pray, (3) ideas for serving someone in the body.

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