



THE POWER OF
CHRIST'S
RESURRECTION

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And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. . .

And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

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– 1 CORINTHIANS 15:14–17 (NKJV)

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and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, [5] and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve.

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– 1 CORINTHIANS 15:4–8 NKJV

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[6] After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.

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– 1 CORINTHIANS 15:4–8 NKJV

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[7] After that He was seen by James,
then by all the apostles. [8] Then last
of all He was seen by me also, as by
one born out of due time.

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– 1 CORINTHIANS 15:4–8 NKJV

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While many people will die for a lie that they think is truth, no sane person will die for what they know is a lie.

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—Norman L. Geisler and Frank Turek, *I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2004), 293.

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If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that he said; if he didn't rise, then why worry about any of what he said?

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—Timothy Keller, *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism* (New York: Riverhead Books, 2009), 210.

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The issue on which everything hangs is not whether you like his teaching but whether he rose from the dead.

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And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!
[18] Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

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– 1 Corinthians 15:17–18 NKJV

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"This same resurrection power is that which gives life to the soul 'dead in trespasses and sins.' . . . The dominion of evil is broken, and through faith the soul is kept from sin."

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—Ellen G. White, *The Desire of Ages* (Mountain View, CA: Pacific Press Publishing Association, 1898), 209–10.

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But now Christ is risen from the
dead, and has become
the *firstfruits* of those who have
fallen asleep.

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– 1 Corinthians 15:20 NKJV

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In the Old Testament the firstfruits were offered to the Lord. They were the first instalment of the harvest, guaranteeing that the rest of the harvest would come.

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—Thomas R. Schreiner, 1 Corinthians: An Introduction and Commentary, ed. Eckhard J. Schnabel, vol. 7 of Tyndale New Testament Commentaries (London: Inter-Varsity Press, 2018), 312.

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The last enemy that will be
destroyed is death.

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– 1 Corinthians 15:26 NKJV