

The Communicator



First Christian Church, Russellville, KY April 2021

Resurrection? Fact or Fiction?

Ok, I will gladly prove it to you!

At Easter many say what is all the hype about, who cares? What difference does it make if Jesus rose from the dead?

Well, it makes all the difference in the world. If Christ did not rise, then thousands of believers during that time died as martyrs for a hoax.

If Jesus did rise, then He is still alive and can offer peace to all the troubled, discouraged and hurting people. Many scholars (Paul, Augustine, Sir Isaac Newton, & C. S. Lewis) believe that the Resurrection happened. So, what are the facts that scholars agree on. Paul a scholar and fanatic septic-turned believer, wrote “Christ died for our sins, he was buried, he was raised on the third day... he appeared to Peter, and then to the twelve disciples. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred... at the same time, most of whom are still living.”

Let's look at some of the evidence:

There is historic evidence that a man called Jesus was crucified.

There is historic evidence that Jesus was buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathaea.

There are numerous written documents that Prophesied about Jesus' life, death, burial and resurrection that have been fulfilled.

The Empty Tomb! How did that happen? Jesus body was removed from the cross, wrapped up like a mummy and placed in a solid-rock tomb. Scholars say the tomb was covered by a 2-ton boulder and guarded by Roman soldiers. Sunday morning the boulder was found rolled away.

The body wasn't stolen. The Roman soldiers & the Jewish leaders had no motive. If they had the body they would have been the first to reveal it so that it would disclaim the resurrection.

The disciples didn't have a motive either. People don't die for what they know is not true. Nearly every disciple was eventually martyred for their faith.

The appearance of the Risen Christ. We have several who wrote about being an eyewitness. We have Mary, the disciples, a shrewd tax collector, several fishermen and over 500 people in one place.

The explosive growth of the Christian movement. Within a few weeks after Jesus' resurrection Jesus' followers began to change the world forever.

Jesus' resurrection means that death is not the end. We as Christians believe that Jesus died the cruel death on the cross to be the ultimate sacrifice for the sins of all mankind. (John 3:16)

Since Jesus is not dead anyone can encounter His forgiveness. You can know Him through a personal relationship. There are millions of people who can testify what Jesus has done in their lives to bring them from the brink of disaster to peace, meaning and joy. He changes people for good every day.

If you are searching for answers and meaning in life, why don't you slip into a church or live stream a church service this Easter Sunday and see why millions celebrate this man called Jesus who died and rose from the grave so that everyone can have Eternal Life.


He's Alive!!! That's what Easter is all about.

Pastor Bill



Easter Offering

a special day offering of Disciples Mission Fund
March 28 and April 4, 2021

 supporting general ministries of the
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



TUNE IN to WRUS April 5-10

Pastor Bill will have the Morning Meditation.



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Sunday School:

Worship Service: 10:45 am

Serving in April 2021

Elders: Johnnie Mantlo, Vickie Kemp

Deacons: Linda Robertson

Prayer Concerns:			
Danny Anderson	Jean Gragg	Ken Mercer	Lauren Riley Stafford
Lori McClure	Cindy & Paul	Donna Greer	Mallory Rogers Knight
Patricia Y. Bailey	Betty Johnson	Roberta Northern	Mildred & Marshall
Micky Hicks	Frankie Hicks	Gary Arnold	Mary Noe 'Tiz' Koester
Cheryl Rogers			