



Resurrectionism: One Song

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

The evidence for 9/11: Eyewitnesses, film, physical evidence, written documentation, and “Hole in the World Tonight” by the Eagles.

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The various interpretations of Easter:

- For retailers:
- For teachers:
- For students:
- For children:
- For atheists:
- For Christ-followers:

For Christ-followers the meaning of Easter is best explained in 1 Corinthians 15:1-8. Namely, the gospel or good news that Paul explains here is:

#1 Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures.

- The Proof: He was _____.

#2 Christ was raised from the dead according to the Scriptures.

- The Proof: He was _____.

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Key Issue: Some messages demand a response. For example: “Fire, everyone get out!”

Now, back to the beginning: Songs are substantial evidence for the reality of historical events—songs document the authenticity of these events.

- 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 is an early _____ _____. It was written and in wide use in the Christian community within 1 to 3 years after the resurrection of Christ.

Walking Papers

Practical helps for walking with Christ and pursuing God through obedience, reflective living, and community.

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Please take some time each day this week for "spiritual recalibration" by thinking through the following ideas and questions related to having "eternity in our hearts:"

- **Today:** Can you think of any other examples where the "greater" died for the "lesser?"
- **Monday:** Respond to the statement: "If you don't understand substitution you don't understand the Christian faith."
- **Tuesday:** Why does Paul write "according to the Scriptures" after each statement?
- **Wednesday:** What do you think about the idea that the supernatural is just another "realm" that happens to be above the natural realm just like magnetism is above the ant realm?
- **Thursday:** Do you find the fact that Jesus was buried to be compelling proof of His death? Why or why not?
- **Friday:** Do you find the fact that Jesus was seen to be compelling proof of His resurrection? Why or why not?
- **Saturday:** Do you find the fact that 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 is a song written and used within 1-3 years of Jesus resurrection to be compelling proof of His resurrection? Why or why not?
- **Bonus Question at no additional charge:** Do you see this "good news" that we have just outlined as a "message that one must respond to?" Why or why not? Does it make sense that ignoring it is actually responding in the negative?
- **Bonus Question at no additional charge:** Have you responded to this offer from God to trust Christ for the forgiveness of your sins? If not, is there anything keeping you from doing this right now?
- **Bonus resource:** Go to Youtube and type in "How To Have a Relationship With God" and watch the 4 minute video there by Dave Gibson.