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STUDIES IN FIRST CORINTHIANS

## Practical Implications of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:29-34

The Gospel that was preached by the apostles and believed by the Corinthians is rooted in certain key historical facts ...

- (1) Christ died, and He was buried.
- (2) Christ rose, and He was seen.

- A. Jesus did not rise from the grave.
- B. Preaching the gospel is useless.
- C. Your faith is in vain.
- D. The apostles were liars.
- E. Sin's power is unbroken.
- F. The dead in Christ are eternally lost.
- G. Suffering Christians are pitiable fools.

- (1) The resurrection of Jesus guarantees the future bodily resurrection of all who believe in Him.
- (2) The resurrection is essential to the arc of God's redemptive plan.
- (3) Jesus will progressively subdue all His enemies and ultimately present a universe in total submission to God.

# Belief in the bodily resurrection of believers ought to change the way your life is lived.

### 1. The resurrection is inherent in the meaning of believer's baptism.

### Romans 6:3

"Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?"

#### **Romans 6:4-5**

"Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection."

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#### Isaiah 22:12-13

"And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth: 13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die."

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- 2. The resurrection inspires hope in the face of life-threatening persecution.
- 3. The resurrection urges holiness and a transformed life.