

## **Jesus Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**



### **1. The truth and proof of the resurrection (v. 1-11)**

- A. Paul Lists 6 appearances (no women are mentioned!)
- B. 10 Appearances are recorded in the various Bible passages
  - 1. The women at the tomb (Matthew 28:9-10)
  - 2. Mary Magdalene (Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18)
  - 3. Two men of Emmaus (Mark 16:12; Luke 24:13-32)
  - 4. Peter in Jerusalem (Luke 24:34; 1 Corinthians 15:5)
  - 5. Ten disciples (Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-23)
  - 6. Eleven disciples (John 20:24-29; 1 Corinthians 15:5)
  - 7. Seven disciples fishing in Galilee (John 21:1-23)
  - 8. Eleven disciples in Galilee (Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-18)
  - 9. Five hundred persons (presumably in Galilee; 1 Corinthians 15:6)
  - 10. James, the brother of the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:7)

### **2. The relevance of the resurrection reality (v. 12-34)**

- A. If there is no resurrection...terrible implications!
  - 1. Paul's preaching is empty
  - 2. Our faith is empty
  - 3. We are still in our sins
  - 4. No hope for those who have gone before us
  - 5. If only in this life we have hope we are of all people most to be pitied!
- B. Jesus' resurrection is the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

## The Resurrection Chapter of the Bible: 1 Corinthians 15 - an Overview

C. The knowledge of the resurrection impacts how we live

### 3. The nature of the resurrected body (v. 35-49)

A. It's different!

B. Like a seed

C. Various analogies of two different kinds of bodies

Earthly Bodies and Resurrection Bodies (1 Corinthians 15)

Verse	Earthly Bodies	Resurrection Bodies
v. 42	perishable	imperishable
v. 43a	exist in dishonor	raised in glory
v. 43b	exist in weakness	raised in power
v. 44	natural	spiritual
vv. 45, 47	first Adam a living being, from the earth	last Adam (Christ) a life-giving spirit, from heaven
vv. 48-49	those who are of earth bear the image of the man of dust	those who are of heaven shall bear the image of the man of heaven
vv. 53-54	mortal	immortal

### 4. The profound implications of the resurrection (v. 50-58)

A. It is essential in order to inherit the kingdom of God

B. It is the final culmination of deaths' defeat

C. Therefore...we put it all on the line for God, faith, hope, and Christ

**How do you finish these sentences, "I believe in the resurrection..."**

...because \_\_\_\_\_.

...therefore \_\_\_\_\_.

...even though \_\_\_\_\_.

...and \_\_\_\_\_.