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In the text, the importance of the resurrection.

- Paul here teaches the importance, and gives the proofs in *verses 1-11*.
- Then in *verses 12-19* he tells us what we would be without the resurrection.
- Paul addresses it here because these Corinthian believers (some) were doubting Jesus' bodily resurrection.
- But they are shown, as Christ bodily died, so too a bodily resurrection must be; for our very foundation of faith depends on it.

Why is the resurrection so important?

- It's in all 4 gospels
- It's all throughout the Bible – well over 300 verses
- The resurrection changed corporate worship from the Sabbath to Sunday.
- It was preached by Paul, and continues to today.
- The resurrection is central, foundational to our faith.
- Why?
- **What are some things that show the importance of the resurrection.**

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RESURRECTION IS:

I. To give authority to our lives (vs. 3-4)

- A. Confidence in the gospel
- B. Confidence of no worry

II. To give authority to our preaching (vs. 5,12,14)

turn to: *Luke 24:45-48*

III. To give substance to our faith (v. 6)

- A. What makes it real
- B. What gives up hope
- C. What do we have without it?

It gave you and I a choice!

CONCLUSION:

- The risen Christ gives you hope, life & confidence.
- The confidence that you will one day arise and be with the Lord for all eternity.
- The confidence that you can share the Word and the Gospel.
- Do you have that hope? (and confidence?)
- The risen Savior wants to be your Savior!

