

9 Reasons Christ's Resurrection Matters

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The Fact of Christ's Resurrection

The Empty Tomb

1. John 20:1-10.
2. Christ was raised (Acts 1:9-11).

The Eyewitness Testimonies

1. *Christ appeared to Mary Magdalene (John 20:11-18; Mark 16:9).*
2. *To other women (Matt.28:8-10).*
3. *To Peter (Luke 24:34; 1 Cor.15:5).*
4. *To the two on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35; Mark 16:12).*
5. *To ten of the disciples (Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-29).*
6. *To all eleven disciples, eight days later (John 20:24-29).*
7. *To seven disciples by the Sea of Tiberias (John 21:1-23).*
8. *To five hundred followers at the same time (1 Cor.15:6).*
9. *To James (1 Cor.15:7).*
10. *To the eleven, at the ascension (Acts 1:3-12).*
11. *To the apostles by many proofs, appearing to them "during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:3).*
12. *He was apparently seen by Stephen (Acts 7:56).*
13. *Finally, of course, he appeared to Paul (Acts 9:38; 1 Cor.15:8).*
14. *Then one last time to John the apostle (Rev.1:12-18).*

The Value of Christ's Resurrection

1. It provides eternal living after physical death on earth.
2. It provides atonement for our sins.
3. It provides Christ's presence with us.
4. It provides his Spirit to empower us.
5. It provides his continuing work to transformed us into Christ's likeness.
6. It provides a crucial step to Christ's final coming.
7. It provides a ministry for us as individual churchmen.
8. It provides the ministry for us as corporate churchmen.
9. It provides us significance as daily worshipers of Christ.