

## 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 CHRIST JESUS' RESURRECTION: THE EVIDENCE

- The Testimony of the Church v. 1-2
  - Mark 8:31; 9:9, 31; John 11:25; Acts 2:14-36; 3:12-26
  - The resurrection alone establishes the church and the Christian Faith without that element Christianity is nothing different than all the other hopeless religious philosophies that man has devised 1 Corinthians 15:12-19
  - Romans 10:9 the basis for our faith AND our salvation
  - Evidence: Paul preached—they received v. 1
  - Evidence: Standing and holding fast v. 2
    - Romans 8:29-30; 35-39; 5:9-10
    - God saves and God holds
      - Matt. 13; Matt. 7:13-14, 22-27; 25:11-12; Hebrews 10:38
- The Testimony of Scripture v. 3-4
  - Luke 24:25-27; Matt. 12:39-40; Acts 26:22-23
- The Testimony of Eyewitnesses v. 5-7
  - Peter
  - The Twelve John 20:18-24; Luke 24:36; Acts 1:22
  - Five hundred (unnamed in scripture but known to all)
  - James John 7:5; Acts 15:13-21
- The Testimony of One Special Eyewitness v. 8-10
  - Christ's last appearance (at that time)—To Paul
    - Post resurrection and ascension
  - Deep recognition of his sin
  - Change in character, driven by love
  - Dramatic redirection in his life purpose
- The Testimony of the Common and Consistent Message v. 11
  - Consistent message of Christ from every apostle, eyewitness or preacher
  - Common outcome from the message
    - Faith unto salvation to the hearer