He is RISEN

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INTRODUCTION

- So I failed that assignment because I just did half of it.
- His death, as monumental as and important it is to our relationship, would have accomplished nothing if that tomb had not been found empty.
- Let's not just look at the front part of that sheet and emphasize the death and the burial of Jesus Christ without turning the page in Scripture and emphasizing as Scripture would, that he is risen.

1 The Old Testament Foretold the Resurrection

Acts 2:25–28; Psalm 16

- The old covenant, the old law talked about all of this. It talked about the suffering servant. It talked about Jesus, and it talked about his resurrection.
- You will not leave my soul in Hades, nor will you allow your holy one to see corruption.
- Peter points past the empty tomb, past the eyewitnesses, and says, David talked about this in the Old Testament, Psalm 16.
- The old testament foretold of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

2 The Resurrection Is the Foundation of the Gospel

1 Corinthians 15:3–4

- Much like Jesus' death, his resurrection is the foundation of the gospel story.
- That Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scripture.
- The death of Jesus Christ is the front page of that gospel message, but the back page, equally as important, is that he was raised from the dead.
- That's our gospel. That's our good news by which we can be saved.

3 The Resurrection Is Remembered and Memorialized

Matthew 26; Romans 6

- We're meeting on Sunday. And surely it's no coincidence that it was on this day of the week that tomb was found empty.
- Jesus told those first participants that he would participate in this supper with them anew. That was again foreshadowing his resurrection.
- Baptism is a burial. But we don't just die and are buried in baptism, but we're raised again. Resurrection is an integral part of baptism.
- In baptism, not only do we put to death the old man, but we arise to walk in newness of life.

4 The Resurrection Is the Basis of Our Hope

1 Corinthians 15:12–19

- If it were not for the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we're wasting our time.
- And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile. You're still in your sins.
- But thanks be to God. He is risen. And our faith is not futile.
- Our baptism, our partaking of the Lord's Supper, our meeting together on Sunday is all built upon the solid foundation of that empty tomb.

5 Our Hope of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:35–44; 1 Corinthians 15:50; 1 Corinthians 15:55–57

- How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?
- That body that was put in the tomb is not going to be the same body that's raised up.
- You can't understand it. But God can do it.
- That new body is not going to be like this body. It's not going to have the problems that this body had.
- We do not sorrow as those who do not have hope.
- Death, where is your sting? Hades, where's your victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law, but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory to our Lord Jesus Christ.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Would you mimic that death, burial, and resurrection? Would you connect with that death, burial, and resurrection this morning?**

MY NOTES