

THE RADIANCE OF RESURRECTION

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(Matthew 27:57-65; Matthew 28:1-15; John 20:1-9 NIV84)

Four proofs of the Resurrection:

I. The tomb was _____! (three facts)

- A. FACT #1: The story was easily _____ – or denied.
- B. FACT #2: The large stone was _____.
- C. FACT #3: The Roman guards went _____.

II. Jesus was seen by _____.

- A. Jesus appeared to _____ after the Resurrection.
1 Corinthians 15:3-8; Acts 1:3
- B. There were _____ witnesses at the time.

III. The disciples were _____.

- A. Disciples transformed from frightened to _____.

IV. The Resurrection sets Jesus apart from all other _____ leaders.

- A. There are many great leaders, but they are all _____.

V. What does the Resurrection mean for me and _____?

- 1. Without Jesus' death & Resurrection, we're all _____.

1 Corinthians 15:17-19 "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins."

- 2. Jesus was your substitute, and paid your _____ debt.

1 Peter 3:18 "For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God."; **Romans 6:23**

- 3. You must _____ this gift.

Romans 10:9-10 "That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved."

Why _____? Choose Jesus this Easter!

Discussion Questions:

1. Reflecting on the four proofs of the Resurrection (from this teaching), which proof do you find most compelling or impactful for your personal faith, and why?
2. How does the reality of the Resurrection affect your daily life and the way you interact with others? Can you share a practical example of how this belief brings hope and transformation in a challenging situation?
3. We learned that the disciples were transformed from fearful individuals to bold proclaimers of the Gospel. In what ways can we, as a church community, support each other in becoming more fearless in sharing our faith in today's world?
4. The teaching concludes with an emphasis on receiving the gift of salvation through belief in Jesus. What does it mean for you personally to confess Jesus as Lord? What steps can you take (individually or as a group) to deepen your relationship with Him this Easter season? Have you accepted this gift?