

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Sermon Outline cont'd

C. Christ Appeared To Selected Witnesses After His Resurrection, v-5-8

1. He appeared to Peter (Cephas), v-5a
2. To the rest of The Twelve, v-5b
3. Afterwards to more than Five Hundred believers, v-6
 - a. Most were still alive, v-6a
 - b. Some had died, v-6b
4. Later He appeared to James, v-7a
5. Then He appeared to all of the Apostles, v-7b
6. Last of all He appeared to Paul, v-8

II. PAUL LET THE CHURCH KNOW THAT CHRIST'S RESURRECTION GARANTEED OUR'S, v-11-19

- A. The Believers Had Believed Paul's Message, v-11
- B. Paul Raised The Question As To Why Some Were Rejecting The Fact Of The Resurrection, v-12
- C. Paul Pointed Out That It Is Illogical For A Believer To Deny The Fact Of The Resurrection, v-13-18
 1. No Resurrection means that even Christ has not been raised, v-13
 2. If Christ has not been raised,
 - a. Paul's preaching was in vain, v-14a
 - b. Their faith was in vain, v-14b
 3. Moreover the Apostles lied about God, v-15

4. Common Sense Logic Speaks For itself, v-16-18

- a. If there is no resurrection Christ has not been raised, v-16
- b. If Christ has not been raised our faith is worthless, v-17a
- c. And we are still in our sins, v-17b
- d. Believers who died believing in Christ have perished, v-18 --in Hell!

D. The Christian Hope Being Only For This Life Makes Us The Most Pitiful Of Mankind, v-19

III. PAUL AFFIRMS THAT THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST ACTUALLY HAPPENED, v-20-23

A. Christ Is The first Fruits Of The Resurrection, v-20

B. Since Man Brought Death (Adam), Man Brought The Resurrection Of The Dead (Christ), v-21, 22; Jn. 11:25

C. The First Resurrection Will Be Completed When Christ Returns, v-23 --The Order.

1. Christ the First Fruits
2. Those at His Coming --Rapture (Church)
3. Those at His Coming to earth, Rev. 20:4-6