Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

EASTER 11AM, April 9, 2023

Sermon Scriptures

1 Cor. 15:1, **2** ¶ **1** Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,

2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.

<u>1 Cor. 15:3, 4</u> <u>3.</u> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

<u>4</u> and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

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1 Cor. 15:5-11 5 and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

<u>6</u> After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep;

7 then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles;

8 and last of all, as it were to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

9 For I am the least of the apostles, who am not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain;

but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me. **11** Whether then *it was* I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

<u>1 Cor. 15:12, 13</u> ¶ Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?

13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised;

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1 Cor. 15:14 -19 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.

<u>15</u> Moreover we are even found *to be* false witnesses of God, because we witnessed against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised.

16 For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised;

- <u>17</u> and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins.
- 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.
- 19 If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

- <u>1 Cor. 15:20-23</u> <u>9</u> But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.
- **<u>21</u>** For since by a man *came* death, by a man also *came* the resurrection of the dead.
- 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive.
- 23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming,
- <u>1 Cor. 15:51-58</u> <u>51</u> Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
- <u>52</u> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.
- <u>53</u> For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality.
- <u>54</u> But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.]

- <u>1 Cor. 15:24-25</u> then *comes* the end, when He delivers up the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.
- **25** For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.

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<u>**1 Cor. 15:26</u>** The last enemy that will be abolished is death.</u>