



In Christ

What it means to be saved?

Because He Lives!

1 Corinthians 15:12-26

³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

- *Romans 6:3-5*

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- 1 Corinthians 15:12-26

“What’s more important breathing in or breathing out?”

- *Charles Spurgeon*

He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

- *Romans 4:25*

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- 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold,
it was very good.

- *Genesis 1:31*

If Resurrection Didn't Happen. . .

- **Jesus is still dead:** vs.13 *But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.*
- **Our faith is useless:** vs.14 *And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.*
- **We are still guilty in our sins:** vs.17 *And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.*
- **Death wins, and we are hopeless:** vs.18 *Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.*

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²⁰What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.

- Mark 7:20-23

...but your iniquities have made a separation between you and
your God

-Isaiah 59:2

Ezekiel 18:4:

Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

Romans 6:23:

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 5:12:

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned

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- *Romans 4:25*

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

- *John 14:6*

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- *1 Corinthians 15:20, 23-24*

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⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

- 1 Corinthians 15:47-49

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- *1 Corinthians 15:24-26*

¹³When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

- *Colossians 2:13-15*

⁵⁴“Death has been swallowed up in victory. ⁵⁵Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- *1 Corinthians 15:54-57*

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⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

- *Ephesians 2:4-6*