



TAKE LOVE BIBLE STUDY

The importance of the resurrection 1 Corinthians 15:12–32

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GETTING STARTED

1. What if... you truly believed that all your school work (homework/assignments/exams) didn't matter and ultimately counted for nothing? What would school look like for you? Why?
2. What other examples can you think of where what you believe has a significant impact on how you live?

When Paul wrote his first letter to the Corinthians there were people within the church who thought that being raised from the dead was the stuff of fairy tales. Paul would have been devastated because Jesus' resurrection was core to the gospel he'd first preached to them. It was the foundation upon which he'd planted their church. Now it seemed like they were in danger of abandoning it altogether.

This part of the letter highlights just how central Jesus' resurrection is to the gospel and the everyday lives of people who trust and follow Him – His resurrection (and our future resurrection) are wonderful truths that must shape.

WHAT IF... THERE'S NO RESURRECTION?

Read verses 12–19:

3. What error have the Corinthians made?



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4. According to Paul, what conclusions would you have to arrive at if this were true?

vs13, 16: _____

vs14: _____

vs15: _____

vs17: _____

vs18: _____

vs19: _____

5. How would you summarise Paul's concern in a sentence?

Read verse 32:

6. What attitude comes from a belief that there's no resurrection? What's wrong with that?

7. What would adopting the attitude of verse 32 look like for you? Does that look different to how you live now?

BUT... THERE IS RESURRECTION

Read verses 20–31:

8. What is Paul convinced of about Jesus? Why do you think he calls Jesus the "firstfruits"?

9. What do we have to look forward to because Jesus has been raised?

10. How did Jesus' resurrection compel Paul to live? (see vs30-31)
Flick over to 2 Corinthians 11:24-27 to see what that looked like for Paul.

11. Why do you think Paul's belief in resurrection caused him to live this way?
See what 1 Corinthians 15:58 adds to your answer.

BRINGING IT HOME...

12. Similarly, how should Jesus' resurrection (and your future resurrection) compel you to live now?
What will that mean for:

- How you use your time? Why?
- What you do with your money & possessions? Why?
- How you see & treat others? Why?

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