

STRONGMEN AND Legacy Makers

Passion Week 2021 - How We Approach Resurrection Sunday

"knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God." ...1Peter 1:18-21 (ESV)

• *"The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is one of the best attested facts on record. There were so many witnesses to behold it, that if we do in the least degree receive the credibility of men's testimonies, we cannot and we dare not doubt that Jesus rose from the dead." ~ Charles Spurgeon*

• *"There is more evidence that Jesus rose from the dead than there is that Julius Caesar ever lived or that Alexander the Great died at the age of thirty-three." ~ Billy Graham*

• *"If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that He said; if He didn't rise from the dead, then why worry about any of what He said? The issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like His teaching but whether or not He rose from the dead." ~ Timothy Keller*

Words of Wisdom

The 4 Approaches to Resurrection Sunday...

1. "What's in it for me?"...

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11, Mark 15:6-15

"I know enough about Jesus to _____."

2. "I'm smarter than God!"...

Scripture: Mark 11:31-32, Mark 12:12, Mark 14:1-2, Mark 14:61-65

"I know enough about God to _____."

3. "Great Story!...See you next year!"...

"I know enough about Jesus to _____."

4. "I choose to follow the Lord, and give Him my life!"...

Scripture: Mark 15:40-41, Mark 16:9-16

"I know enough about Jesus to _____."

From the Word

Group Discussion

1. In what ways have you experienced the 4 different "Approaches to Resurrection Sunday" that were talked about in tonight's message?

2. "If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that He said; if He didn't rise from the dead, then why worry about any of what He said? The issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like His teaching but whether or not He rose from the dead."

READ each of the following verses, one at a time. After reading each one, take some time to discuss what it says, and the direct effect or impact that it has in your life. ...Give Real-Life and Personal Examples

● 1Corinthians 15:1-8...

● Hebrews 2:1-4...

● 1John 2:1-6...

● Ephesians 2:1-10

3. READ Romans 5:6-8 and Romans 6:5-7... What do these verses tell us regarding the importance of the Lord Jesus' death and resurrection? Explain the impact and implications this has on your life...

4. How will you apply what you've learned or discussed from tonight's message to your life today? In what ways has this effected your approach to Resurrection Weekend?

Prayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)