

EASTER...

AND

HOPE!!!

I Corinthians 15:12-22

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?

But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.

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

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

and if Christ has not been raised,
your faith is worthless;
you are still in your sins.

Then those also
who have fallen asleep in Christ
have perished.

If we have hoped in Christ
in this life only,
we are of all men
most to be pitied.

But now Christ has been
raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those
who are asleep.

For since by a man *came* death,
by a man also *came*
the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ
all will be made alive.

HOPE...AND THE RESURRECTION!

Biblical “Hope” is a
confident expectation
with no uncertainty

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Some Have No Hope...

- Ephesians 2:11-12

But see Ephesians 1:15-20

- I Thessalonians 4:13

But see v. 14!

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Some Have False Hope...

- I Corinthians 15:19
- I Timothy 6:17

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Some Have True Hope...

- Acts 23:6; 24:15; I Peter 1:20-21
- I Peter 1:3, born again to a living hope, *through the resurrection!*
- Jesus IS our HOPE, I Tim. 1:1; Colossians 1:27
- Hope gives us confidence in the face of trials, Romans 5:1-2

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Some Have True Hope...

- Our hope teaches us to live holy lives, Titus 2:11-13; I Peter 1:13—16; I John 3:3.
- Our hope motivates our labor for the Lord, I Timothy 4:10; I Corinthians 15:58.

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Some Have True Hope...

- Our hope...and our co-resurrection with Jesus, empowers us to live holy lives, victoriously conquering sin and temptation! Romans 6:4,5-7, 11;7:4

Because of Jesus' resurrection,
we can live lives of hope,
holiness,
confidence,
and joyful service to God!



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