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The Consequences of the Resurrection of Christ

Today, we commemorate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Christian faith is founded on the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ.

The Good Friday service recollected the death of Christ and three days later (the Jews calculated it inclusive of Friday), the crucified Saviour arose victorious over the grave. Jesus made a total of 10 appearances after His resurrection. (See Wilmington's Guide to the Bible, 335-338) It was overwhelmingly attested by more than 500 people (1 Cor 15:6). (This makes sound apologetics for the defence of the faith).

What is the theological significance of the resurrection of Christ at Easter or Resurrection Sunday? We shall discuss from Paul's discourse in 1 Cor 15:1-21.

The Resurrection & Our Redemption

The resurrection of Christ is central to soteriology or the doctrine of salvation. The gospel that was summarised by Paul in 1 Cor 15:1 – 5 included the resurrection. It is necessary to speak not just of Calvary but also an empty tomb. The fact is that Christ died for our sins at Calvary and was accompanied by the supernatural and victorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus over death and sin. It is pivotal to the preaching of the gospel that Paul said in 1 Cor 15:14 *“And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.”*

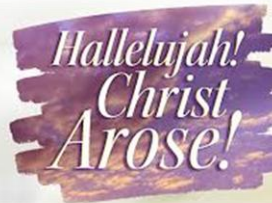
There are three implications for believers – If Christ had not risen:

1. ***Our faith is vain (v14)***

We have no basis for our Christian faith if there is no resurrection. Our Saviour is dead and there is no hope beyond the grave. We might as well join the world to eat and be merry for tomorrow we die.

2. ***We are false witnesses (v15)***

We who go and tell about eternal life and hope beyond the grave would be bearing false witnesses if Christ had not risen. We are proven liars and are perpetrators of falsehood.



3. *We are still in our sins* (v17)

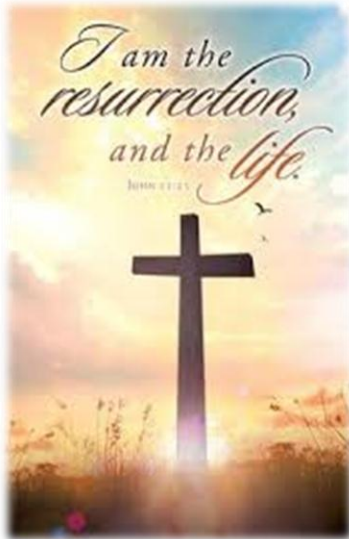
We are not delivered from our depravity. We are still under the bondage of sin and death if there is no deliverance and we are of all men most miserable.

Deliverance comes when we can break through the power of sin through the death and resurrection of Christ.

Thank God all the above are not true because Christ has been proven to have risen from the grave, victories over death. Paul said in 1 Cor 15:57 *"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through Our Lord Jesus Christ."*

Resurrection & An Incorruptible Body (vs 50-56)

The resurrection of Christ is a precedent to the resurrection of the bodies of believers. We have an earthly corruptible body that is depreciating from the time of birth. Our glorification is complete when our bodies are resurrected and reunited with the Lord at the coming of Christ. The resurrection of Christ is a foretaste of what it could be like. Jesus is the first fruit. He is the supreme pattern of our future resurrection, and He is coming back again soon. When a person dies, his body remains in the grave, and his soul returns to God. **One day our bodies will be reunited with our souls, and we will receive a body incorruptible and immortal that will live forever with the Lord and the redeemed. It is a glorious hope and expectation, and it will be a sure and steady realisation.** Once day our faith is turned into sight. Job said in *"If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait. Till my change come"* (Job 14:14).



The Example of Lazarus

We are reminded of Lazarus who was dead for four days and his body stank when Jesus came. Jesus was called to minister to him in John 11 by his sisters and He went. They were much discouraged by his death, but Jesus did something spectacular. He resurrected him from the dead. **It is not impossible with God to raise up our physical bodies in the day of His coming. We have this glorious hope** as in John 11:25-26 *"Jesus said unto her, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?"*

Job said in Job 19:25,26 *"For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."*

A Glorious Hope

Life without Christ is a hopeless end, with Christ, an endless hope.

There is a soul in us that will not die at death but will face its Creator. The empty tomb is solid evidence that there is victorious and eternal life after death, and this is possible because of the well attested resurrection of Christ. Jesus was seen by more than 500, as in 1

Corinthians 15:6, "*After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.*"

So Paul confidently said in 1 Corinthians 15:55–57, "*O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*"

So, there is an expectant hope beyond the grave, and the Christians need not fear nor fret. Jesus said in John 11:25–26, "*I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?*"

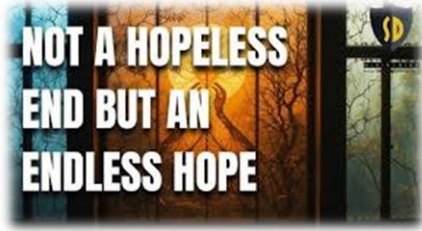
Resurrection Sunday is a glorious event as it underscores the Lord's victory over the vanquished foe, death, and hence those who are redeemed and justified by His blood can have everlasting life in Christ. For those who have not experience the assurance of hope of life, Jesus said, "*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light*" (Matt 11:28–30).

Conclusion

The Egyptians believe that if you mummified a body, the deceased will survive in the next life. But alas, even the best of the Pharaohs, died and are still dead after centuries of dynastic rule and there is no hope for unsaved kings beyond the grave. For Christians, we have an everlasting hope because of the resurrection of Christ.

We have a prospect of life beyond the grave, that no other religion has. There is an empty tomb that is in Garden Tomb, which we visited some years back and not a grave of bones. "Because He lives, we can face tomorrow," that is the hymn-writer's assurance and ours as well. **We can trust in Christ because He is triumphant over sin, hell and death; and anyone who believes in Him will also be saved as Jesus.**

Each time I officiate a vigil service or a funeral, there is power in pronouncing these words of comfort to the bereaved family and as an evangelical message to the unbelievers too at the burial grounds. **The Christian faith affects life and life forever, because of the resurrection, without which we are of all men most**

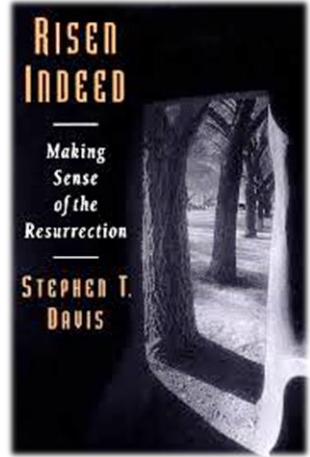


miserable. So, let us seek the Lord Jesus as our God while He may be found before it is too late

The application of the resurrection is the living out of that victorious and abundant new life in Christ personally. Paul said in 2 Cor 5:17 *“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”* We need not fear death nor the temporal sufferings of this life because of the hope of the resurrection. **By Christ’s resurrection, we can be triumphant over sin and death. So let us walk in righteousness, in hope, in the light of this truth and pray, work and wait expectantly and patiently for the soon coming of our Lord Jesus in these perilous times.**

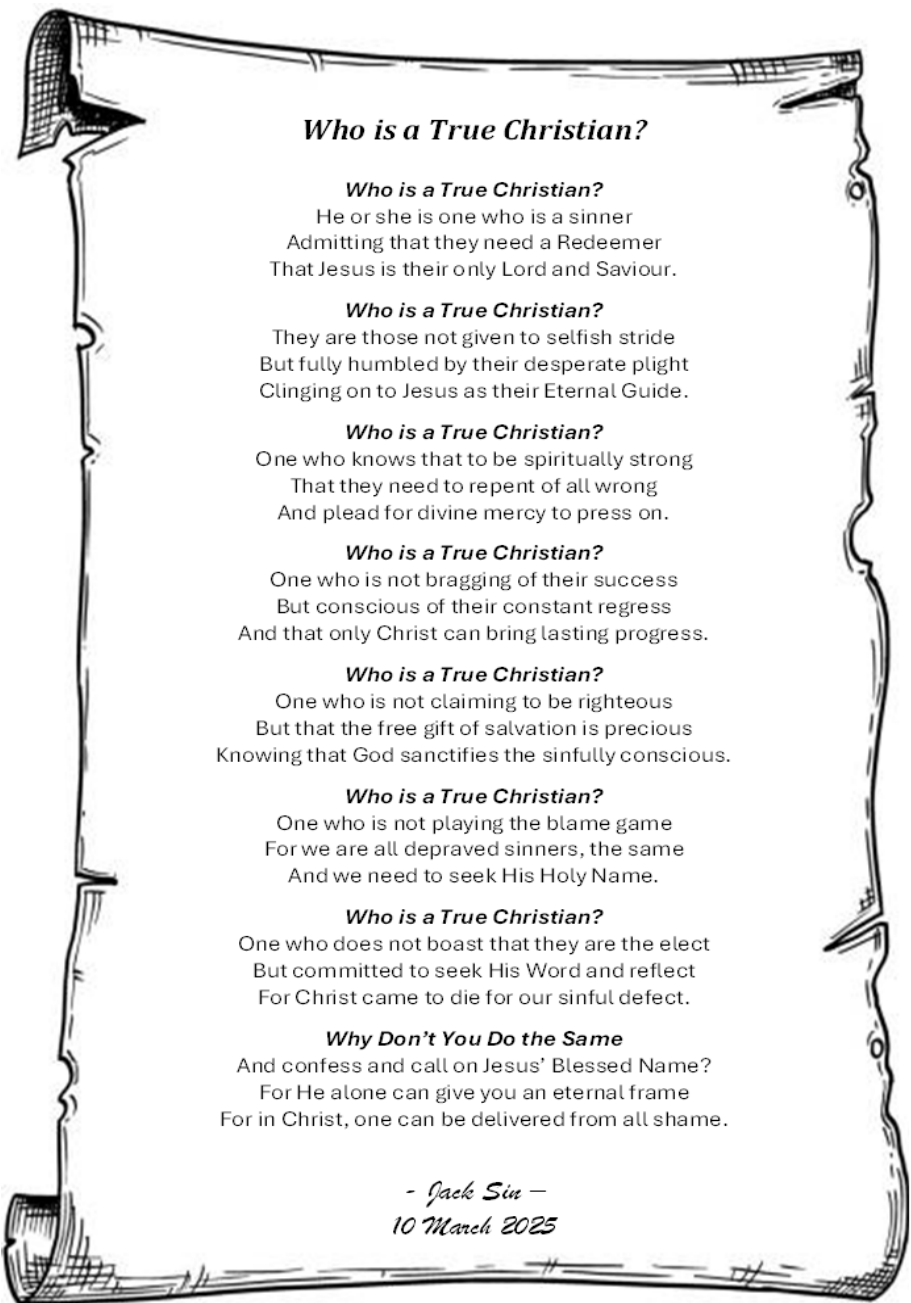
Jack Sin.

(NB. For deeper studies, read Gary Habermas Case for the Resurrection of Jesus, Kregel Publications, Lee Strobel, The Case for Easter, Zondervan and Josh McDowell, New Evidence that Demand a Verdict, Here’s Life Publishers, 1999)



“A Christian Perspective of Life and Death” booklet by Pastor Jack has been printed in 9 languages.





Who is a True Christian?

Who is a True Christian?

He or she is one who is a sinner
Admitting that they need a Redeemer
That Jesus is their only Lord and Saviour.

Who is a True Christian?

They are those not given to selfish stride
But fully humbled by their desperate plight
Clinging on to Jesus as their Eternal Guide.

Who is a True Christian?

One who knows that to be spiritually strong
That they need to repent of all wrong
And plead for divine mercy to press on.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not bragging of their success
But conscious of their constant regress
And that only Christ can bring lasting progress.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not claiming to be righteous
But that the free gift of salvation is precious
Knowing that God sanctifies the sinfully conscious.

Who is a True Christian?

One who is not playing the blame game
For we are all depraved sinners, the same
And we need to seek His Holy Name.

Who is a True Christian?

One who does not boast that they are the elect
But committed to seek His Word and reflect
For Christ came to die for our sinful defect.

Why Don't You Do the Same

And confess and call on Jesus' Blessed Name?
For He alone can give you an eternal frame
For in Christ, one can be delivered from all shame.

- Jack Sin -
10 March 2025

Sermon Series for Apr to Jun 2026

Knowing What & Why We Believe

Lord's Day Program for April to June 2026

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3 - Good Friday

The Cross & the Crown of Life
(Romans 5:1-12)

5 - Resurrection Sunday

Why We Need Not Fear Death
(1 Corinthians 15:42-58)

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Biblical Understanding of
Biblical Separation & Purity
(2 Corinthians 6:14-18,
2 Chronicles 19:1,2)

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Biblical Understanding of
Reformed Worship
(John 4:22-24,
1 Corinthians 14:33,40)

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Biblical Understanding of
Covenant Theology
(Romans 9:26-30,
Ephesians 1:4-5)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Role & Nature of the Holy Spirit
(John 14:26,15:26, 16:13-14)

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Biblical Understanding of Christian
Evangelism & Missions
(Matthew 28:18-20, Acts1:8,
Isaiah 54:1-3)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Trinity & Deity of Christ
(Matthew 3:16,17, 1 John 4:1-4,
John 20:24-28)

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Biblical Understanding of
Christian service
(Deuteronomy 10:12-20)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Inspiration, Canonicity &
Sufficiency of the Bible
(2 Timothy 3:16,17, 2 Peter 1:19-
21, Revelation 22:18-20)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Second Coming of Christ
(1 Peter 3:9-12, 11,
Matthew 24:4-24)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Defence of the Faith
(Jude 3,4, 2 tThessalonians 2:15)

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Biblical Understanding of the
Practices of a Local Church
(Acts 2:42-47)

28 - Gospel Sunday

Right or Wrong Eternal Priorities?
(Matthew 6:21-33)

Evangelism @ Macpherson

22 Mar 2026

"Your business is to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. God's business is to draw His own to Himself."

Charles Spurgeon



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Memory Verse

1Cor 15:57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Announcements

1. Welcome to our Worship Service! If you are here for the first time, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave. Those who share the church vision to acquire a place of worship in due time, may designate your offerings to the SHBPC Church Building Fund.
2. Pastor brings us God's Word this Resurrection Sunday morning on "**Why We Need Not Fear Death (1Cor 15: 42-58)**". Special Easter Brunch will be served.
3. Next Sunday, Pastor will preach on "**Biblical Understanding of Biblical Separation & Purity (2Cor 6:14-18, 2Chr 19:1,2)**", commencing a new quarterly series on "**Knowing What & Why We Believe**" available on Page 6.
4. Sunday School classes will resume next Sunday.
5. Chinese Fellowship that meets every Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom. [Zoom ID:883 9662 4157 Passcode: 218178].
6. **SHBPC Church Camp: 9-12 June 2026**. Theme: "**The Biblical Perspective of the Christian & Church in a Digital Age**". Camp speaker: **Dr Scott Hollander** from Western Reformed Seminary, USA. Venue: **Yello Hotel, Batam**. Contact Dn Paul/Bro Joseph Chan for more details and the registration form.
7. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The prayer list is available in church. [Zoom ID:863 7527 5431 Passcode: 625551].
8. Pray for:
 - **Church Camp Committee, Speaker & Campers**: Preparations
 - **Poh Huat** [Vancouver 13/3 – 11/4]
 - **Kin Hoong** [right shoulder and big toe's full recovery]
 - **Kim Meng's mother** [heart condition], **Agnes' mother** [recovery from fall]
 - **Jo & Lil's Dil Annabelle Chan** [knee injury],
 - **Dr Sam & Dr Jason** [Career Pathway], **Yusong** [PostGrad Studies Pathway]
 - **Lily Almon** [citizenship application], **John Almon** [NYP application]
9. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church** and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
 - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
 - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**

Kindly indicate "**Church Building Fund**" if you would like to designate towards this cause.