

Resurrection?

After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. Acts 1:3 (NIV)

THE CONSEQUENCES IF THE RESURRECTION DIDN'T OCCUR.

1. The Christian's message is _____.

If Christ wasn't raised to life, our message is worthless...

1 Corinthians 15:14a (CEV)

2. The Christian's faith is _____.

And if Christ has not been raised...your faith is useless.

1 Corinthians 15:14b (CEV)

3. The Christian has been _____.

Not only that, but we would be guilty of telling a string of barefaced lies about God, all these affidavits we passed on to you verifying that God raised up Christ--sheer fabrications, if there's no resurrection. 1 Corinthians 15:15 (MP)

4. The Christian's sin has not been _____.

If Christ has not been raised.... Your sins have not been forgiven.

1 Corinthians 15:17 (NirV)

5. The Christian has _____ in the afterlife.

It would also mean that the believers in Christ who have died are lost.

1 Corinthians 15:18 (GNB)

6. All Christians are to be _____.

If our hope in Christ is good in this life only and no more, then we deserve more pity than anyone else in all the world. 1 Corinthians 15:19 (GNB)

THE ALTERNATE THEORIES THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED.

1. The _____ Theory

Cross Examination _____

2. The _____ Theory

Cross Examination _____

3. The _____ Theory

Cross Examination _____

THE EVIDENCE FOR RESURRECTION

1. _____ of the tomb and the _____ search for the body.

Sir, we remember how that deceiver said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will be brought back to life.'⁶⁴ Therefore, give the order to make the tomb secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may steal him and say to the people, 'He has been brought back to life.' Then the last deception will be worse than the first."⁶⁵ Pilate told them, "You have the soldiers you want for guard duty. Go and make the tomb as secure as you know how."⁶⁶ So they went to secure the tomb. They placed a seal on the stone and posted the soldiers on guard duty. Matthew 27: 63-66 (NIV)

2. Jesus _____ resurrection _____++_____.

When Jesus rose...he appeared first to Mary Magdalene...¹⁴ Later Jesus appeared to the Eleven as they were eating... Mark 16:9, 14 (NIV)

...he presented himself alive to Peter, then to his closest followers,⁶ and later to 7p79pmore than five hundred of his followers all at the same time, most of them still around... 1 Corinthians 15:5, 6 (MP)

3. The _____ of Christ's _____.

4. The _____ and _____ of Saul of Tarsus.

"I am not insane, most excellent Festus," Paul replied. "What I am saying is true and reasonable."²⁶ The king is familiar with these things, and I can speak freely to him. I am convinced that none of this has escaped his notice, because it was not done in a corner." Acts 26:25, 26 (NIV)

5. The _____ of the members of the Crossings.