
“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing.”
1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

Celebrate the Day or the Event

- John 20
- John 20:14-15
- John 20:24-31
- John seems to place significance on what had occurred –
  - Christ's **resurrection from the dead**
  - **NOT** on observing **THAT DAY**
  - All first day of week will be significant

Christ's Resurrection

- The Fact of His resurrection is what true Christianity stands upon –
  - Acts 3:15
  - Romans 1:4; 6:4; 8:11
  - 1 Corinthians 6:14; 15:4
  - 1 Peter 1:3

Christ's Resurrection

- There was a multitude of witnesses to His resurrection - 1 Corinthians 15:5-9
- In fact, they were so certain of the resurrection that they were willing to die in believing it and then to tell about it -
  - Stephen - Acts 7:54-60
  - James - Acts 12:1-4
  - Priscilla and Aquila - Romans 16:3-4
  - Paul - 2 Corinthians 1:8-10

Christ's Resurrection

- Because of Christ's resurrection, we can be victorious over sin!
- Alone, man has no hope to be victorious over sin - Hebrews 10:4
- Jesus is the reason that we can be victorious - John 1:29, Acts 4:12, 1 Corinthians 6:18-20, Hebrews 5:9, 1 Peter 1:18-19, 1 John 1:7

Christ's Resurrection

- Because of Christ's resurrection, we can be victorious over spiritual death!
  - 1 Corinthians 15:57
  - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

What must I do to be saved? *Acts 16:30*

- **Believe in Jesus –**
  John 8:24/3:16
- **Repent of Sins –**
  Luke 13:3-5; Acts 2:38/7:30-31
- **Confess your Faith in Jesus –**
  Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9
- **Baptism for the Remission Of Sins –**
  Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38/22:16
- **Live Faithfully for the Remainder of Life –**
  Revelation 2:10; James 2:10
- **Remember Matthew 7:21-23** *(not everyone, but…)*