

Sermon Notes

If Christ rose from the dead then so will his people

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

1. The issue: Christ's physical resurrection an isolated event

1 Cor 15:23 First fruits / Rom 8:29 First born / Heb 6:20 Forerunner

2. The implications: If Christ did not rise...

(a) Paul & the Apostles' preaching is empty/false (vv.14-15)

(b) The Christian's faith is futile - the living are unforgiven and the dead are lost (vv.17-18)

Conclusion: If there is no resurrection then Christians are to be pitied (v.19)