JETS Chapel Hudson Davis

5 April 2022 Church History

**The Resurrection**

***1 Corinthians 15:12-18***

**Topic:** Resurrection

**Subject:** What is the full significance of the resurrection?

**Complement:** God raised Jesus from the dead to prove his deity.

**Purpose:** The listeners will proclaim Christ’s deity shown in God raising him from the dead.

# Introduction

### Interest: If you have never been to Wadi Rum, most people would not believe you if you said that is it beautiful.

### Need: Can you explain the Trinity if you haven’t really seen it?

### Subject: What is the full significance of the resurrection?

### Background: The typical emphasis at Easter is only on the person of Jesus in the resurrection. Dr Justin Bass emphasizes this limitation we impose in his book *Foundations.* The Corinthians worried about Jesus rose from the dead, which showed their need for real theological reflection.

### Text: 1 Corinthians 15:12-18

# I. The gospels tell us that Jesus is risen.

## The NT says “he is risen” only four times—and all are early in the gospel accounts.

## This recounts the event itself without theological reflection, which is understandable.

# II. The epistles tell us that God raised Jesus.

## The epistles show us the significance of the event that God the Father raised Jesus from the dead. God as the *one who raised him* is mentioned over 30 times. In other words, God did not reject him.

## Peter preached this first Easter sermon in Acts 2:22-24 with these words:

### “People of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus the Nazarene by doing powerful miracles, wonders, and signs through him, as you well know. 23 But God knew what would happen, and his prearranged plan was carried out when Jesus was betrayed. With the help of lawless Gentiles, you nailed him to a cross and killed him. 24 *But God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life*, for death could not keep him in its grip.”

### Acts 2:36  “So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!”

# III. The resurrection shows us that Jesus is the Son of God.

## Rom 1:4a—"and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead.”

## Rom 1:4b—This was "by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord.”

# Conclusion

### God raised Jesus from the dead to prove his deity (MI).

### Application: We must proclaim Christ’s deity shown in God raising him from the dead.