

Jesus Rose Again According to the Scriptures
(1 Corinthians 15:1-4)

Introduction:

1. In these verses Paul mentioned the Gospel message he had preached when he was in Corinth.
 - a. The Gospel must be received -- we are saved by it.
 - b. We are to stand in it and keep it in memory.
2. The primary facts of the Gospel are that:
 - a. *"Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures"*
 - b. Christ *"was buried"*
 - c. Christ *"rose again the third day according to the Scriptures."*
3. In our lesson we are concentrating on the fact that "Jesus rose again according to the Scriptures."
4. The first point we need to make is that . . .

Discussion:

- I. THE SCRIPTURES STATE THAT GOD RAISED JESUS FROM THE GRAVE
 - A. See Acts 2:22-24, 32
 - B. See Acts 3:14-15, 26
- II. THE SCRIPTURES REVEAL WHEN GOD RAISED JESUS FROM THE GRAVE
 - A. Jesus was raised on the 3rd day after He was crucified.
 1. Jesus stated that this would happen (Matthew 16:21; 17:22-23).
 2. According to the Scriptures,:
 - a. He died and was buried on the day of preparation [Friday] (John 19:42)
 - b. His body remained in the tomb over the Sabbath [Saturday]
 - c. He arose on the 3rd day [Sunday].
 - B. Jesus was raised on the 1st day of the week [Sunday] (Luke 24:1-8).
- III. THE SCRIPTURES EXPLAIN WHY GOD RAISED JESUS FROM THE GRAVE
 - A. The Lord's resurrection fulfilled prophecy (Psalm 16:8-11; Acts 2:25-32).
 - B. The Lord's resurrection proved His divinity (Romans 1:1-4).
 - C. The Lord's resurrection was for our justification (Romans 4:25; 6:3-6).
 - D. The Lord's resurrection gives us hope (1 Peter 1:3).

Conclusion:

1. We have searched the Scriptures to learn what we need to know about the Lord's resurrection.
2. In closing, let us consider 2 additional matters.
 - a. First, how do we know that Jesus was raised from the grave? [Consider the witnesses who saw Him in 1 Corinthians 15:5-8]
 - b. Second, have you been raised with Him?