

“All Rise, the Supreme Court of Heaven is in Session” 1st Corinthians 15

Jesus Christ was loved by some, believed by a few, denied by His friend and hated by many.

For all of His goodness, kindness, honesty and genuine compassion, Jesus Christ was killed by the testimony of the Jewish leaders, the verdict of an insecure politician, the hands of Roman soldiers, the sins of the world and perhaps most importantly, the plan of God the Father.

And so, the perfect, sinless, truthful Creator of all that’s been created became a Man and walked among His creation and our collective response was “Crucify Him.”

Jesus, justifiably, could have argued His case against His critics and enemies but He didn’t.

The omnipotent power that kept Jesus on the cross was much more potent than the power necessary to rescue Him from the cross.

No one can understand the cross of Christ without honest humility.

Without the Incarnation, there’s no perfect, sinless Messiah and without His impeccable life, there’s no atonement on the cross and without the propitiatory work of Jesus Christ, there’s no resurrection and without the resurrection, there’s no hope for any of us.

It’s amazing how quickly the downward spiral moves as someone sows to the wind and reaps the whirlwind of seriously rejecting the truth and accepting false-doctrine.

And since Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, we who’ve received Him as Savior have the assurance that our sins are forgiven and after a life of service to Him, we can confidently expect resurrection into His glory and not resurrection to eternal condemnation or judgment.

The good news of the Gospel is that man’s greatest problem has been solved by God the Father through His grace expression in the death of His Son, Jesus Christ on the cross and it takes a lifetime and beyond of study with application to appreciate it.

We can glorify God in our deeds and in our thoughts as testimonies to His grace before men and angels by remembering that the purpose of our salvation is far beyond simply getting into Heaven; we’re saved to grow spiritually and become prepared for our future eternal destiny when we’ll rule and reign in our resurrection bodies with the Lord Jesus Christ in His Millennial Kingdom and throughout eternity.

Mortal bodies cannot be in Heaven in the presence of God the Son, so we need incorruptible, imperishable bodies to live forever.

Our victory is in knowing that Jesus Christ died physically on the cross and that He was raised bodily from the dead when He received a new resurrected body similar to His previous body and yet anatomically different and that’s why the tomb was empty.