



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

What Does Easter Mean?

March 31, 2024

1 Corinthians 15:19-24

²⁰But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²²For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

1. What makes Easter morning special for you? (Any memories from past Easters? Do you have a favorite Easter hymn?)
2. If the Biblical record of Jesus' life ended with his death and burial, could/would you celebrate his life? Why/why not?
3. Your friend thinks Jesus' resurrection is a fabrication or myth. What evidence could you point to support Jesus' resurrection as a historical fact?
4. Scripture records multiple examples of human beings being raised from the dead. List some similarities/differences between those resurrections and Jesus' resurrection.
5. Why does the Bible call Jesus' resurrection "the firstfruits" of those who have fallen asleep"?
6. Agree/disagree: On the Last Day, all will be made alive in Christ (cf. v. 20).
7. Agree/disagree: For Christians, death is a good thing.
8. What impact does Easter have on your attitude about your past? Your present? Your future?