

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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1 Corinthians 15:17-19 - And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

I'm pragmatic. I like things that work, and I don't want to waste my time with things that don't work. I don't want to "pretend" or "play make-believe." If I didn't truly believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for my sins, rose from the dead, and saved my soul, I wouldn't waste my time in church. In these verses, Paul is basically saying that if Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead, you are wasting your time because there is no other hope of getting to heaven. Jesus said in John 14:6, "...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Peter said in Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

If you want to be saved so that you can go to heaven, you must believe the gospel that "...Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." The Bible says that believing this truth is what saves us (1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Romans 10:9-10, 13). If you don't believe this, you are lost. If you believe that you have to be baptized to get to heaven, you are lost. If you believe you have to be good or do good works to get to heaven, you are lost. If you believe that you need to speak in tongues to get to heaven, you are lost. If you believe that you have to go to confession or church to get to heaven, you are lost. Believing that Jesus Christ died on the cross for your sins, and that he was buried and rose again is the only way to be saved. And if that did not happen, there is no hope for our souls.

Once I was witnessing to woman who "prayed to be saved" so to speak. What she prayed was for the Lord to help her. Something seemed off, so I asked her if she believed that Jesus Christ rose from the dead, to which she replied, "No." I told her, "Then you are not saved." You cannot be saved without believing this crucial fact of history and testimony of the scriptures. Without the resurrection of Christ, there would be no Christianity, or it would just be another dead religion with another dead founder.

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Galatians 1:8 - But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

"THE LORD'S GARMEMENTS"

Psalm 93:1

I. Majesty (Psalm 93:1)

II. Strength (Psalm 93:1)

III. Honour (Psalm 104:1)

IV. Light (Psalm 104:2)

V. They parted my garments among them (Psalm 22:15-18)

Evening service at 5:00

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center

Wed. at 5:30 Visitation

Wed. at 7:00 Bible Study and Prayer

Missionary of the week: Pizzo

There are John & Romans booklets available.

Please pray God will bless our efforts to reach more people.

Isa 55:10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater:

Isa 55:11 **So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.**