

Divin' In – Wednesday Night Bible Study

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“Don't be afraid!” the angel said. “I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as He said would happen. Come, see where His body was lying....”

– from Matthew 28:5 & 6

Actually RISEN....



WAIT?! He's not here?!?!?



1 Peter 1:1-6 NLT+

“This letter is from Peter, an apostle of Jesus the Christ, to the **Jewish** Christians driven out of Jerusalem, and scattered throughout the **provinces** of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia.

Dear friends, God the Father chose you long ago, and **knew** you would become His children. And THE Holy Spirit has been at work in your hearts, cleansing you with the blood of Jesus the Christ, and **enabling** you to please Him. May God bless you richly, and grant you increasing freedom from all anxiety and fear.

All honor to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus the Christ, for it is His boundless mercy that has given us the **privilege** of being born again, so that now we are **members** of God's own family. Now we live in the **hope** of eternal life because Christ rose again from the dead.

God has **reserved** for His children this priceless gift of eternal life. It is kept in **heaven** for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

And God, in His mighty power, will make sure that you get there safely to receive it, because you are **trusting** Him. It will be yours on that coming last day for all to see.

So be truly **glad!** There is wonderful joy ahead, even though the going is rough for you for a while down here.

1 Corinthians 15:14-20 NLT+

“And if Christ has not been raised, then all our preaching is **useless**, and your faith is **useless**. And we apostles would all be **lying** about God—for we have said that God raised Christ from the grave.

But **that** cannot be true if there is no resurrection of the dead. And if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still **guilty** of your sins. In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!

And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world. But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the **first** of a great harvest of all who have died.