

1 Corinthians 15:1-23

1. Paul reminds his readers of the *purpose* of the gospel

vs 1-2; 9-10

c.f. 1 Timothy 1:12-16

2. Paul reminds his readers of the *means* of the gospel

vs 3-4a

3. Paul reminds his readers of the *proof* of the gospel

- **The resurrection of Jesus is historical fact**

vs 4-8

- **The resurrection of Jesus guarantees that we are forgiven**

vs 12-19

- **The resurrection of Jesus guarantees we will rise from the dead**

vs 20-23

The resurrection of Jesus guarantees hope

4. The *impact* of the resurrection

- **Christian hope brings comfort in times of loss**

- **Christian hope brings comfort in times of suffering**

- **There is a dark side to Christian hope**

c.f. 2 Thessalonians 1:6-9

c.f. Romans 9:1-3

c.f. Romans 10:13-15