## He Arose!

(Matthew 28:6)

- Introduction: 1. We celebrate the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus every first day of the week through the observance of the Lord's Supper (Matthew 26:26-29).
  - 2. But today is a day wherein people who do not celebrate the death, burial, and resurrection every first day of the week are put in mind of this great event.
  - 3. Let's examine this historical event, why it is so special, and whether we can believe it.

#### I. The Importance Of This Event

- A. It is of "first" importance (1 Corinthians 15:3).
- B. If he did not raise, our preaching and faith is vain, we are liars and we are still in our sins (1 Corinthians 15:17).
- C. We are saved through the resurrection (1 Peter 3:21; Hebrews 9:22-28).
- D. The resurrection validates his claims to be the Son of God and accomplishes his purpose (Revelation 13:8).

### II. The Validity Of The Event

- A. A host of witnesses (1 Corinthians 15:5-8).
- B. The resurrection of others (Matthew 27:52-53).
- D. No refutation of the facts (Acts 2:22).
- C. Who would have taken his body?
  - 1. The Jews.
  - The Romans.
  - The Disciples.

#### III. A Decision You Must Make

- A. Was Jesus a liar?
- B. Was Jesus a lunatic?
- C. Was Jesus Lord?

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