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I Corinthians 15:3-4 (ESV)- For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures...

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- + Written 20-25 years after the resurrection.
- ♦ Written by Paul.
- Written to the believers in Corinth.
- Paul was receiving persecution for his belief.

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1. GOSPEL REMINDER

1 Corinthians 15:1-2(ESV)-Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved,

2. GOSPEL PRIORITY

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3. GOSPEL TESTIMONY

I Corinthians 15:5-6 (ESV)- that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep...

Without Easter We Have...

A. A <u>Meaningless</u> Message.

1 Corinthians 15:14 (ESV)-And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.

B. A <u>Futile</u> Faith

I Corinthians 15:17 (ESV) And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins...

C. A Conflicted Conscience

I Corinthians 15:17 (ESV)- And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins...

D. A Pointless Persecution

I Corinthians 15:32 (ESV)- <u>What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I</u> fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.

E. An Empty Existence

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Here Is The Point: Easter matters!