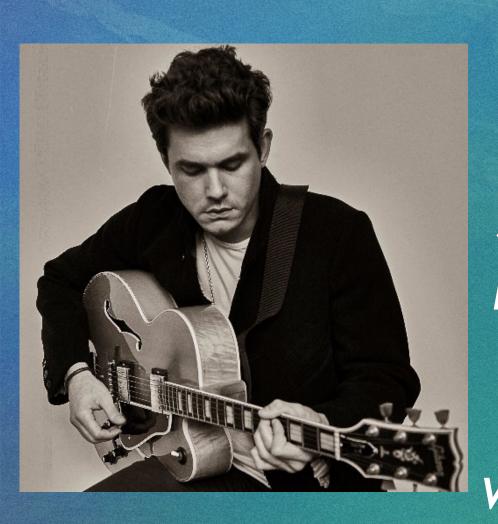


### Waiting for the World to Change



"One day our generation is going to rule the population so we keep on waiting, waiting on the world to change."



# We believe Jesus Christ is the ONLY HOPE of the world!



God made it good. We broke it. Jesus will restore everything. Easter is the proof.



### 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.



And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised.



For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.



If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.



### Four Ways the Resurrection Awakens Hope



### 1) We have been forgiven!

v.17, 20

And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still IN YOUR SINS... but Christ has INDEED been raised from the dead!



## 2) We have victory over death! v. 18, 20

Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are LOST... But Christ has INDEED been raised from the dead.



#### v.42-44

So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised IMPERISHABLE; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in GLORY; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in POWER; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a SPIRITUAL BODY.



# v.55 Death has been swallowed up in victory.



### 3) We have good news to share! v.14-15

And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is **USELESS** and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead...but Christ has **INDEED** been raised from the dead!



## 4) We have a life filled with purpose! v. 14

And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is YOUR FAITH...but Christ has INDEED been raised from the dead!





#### v. 30-32

And as for us, why do we endanger ourselves every hour? I face death every day—yes, just as surely as I boast about you in Christ Jesus our Lord. If I fought wild beasts in Ephesus with no more than human hopes, what have I gained? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die."



### v. 58

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord IS NOT IN VAIN.



### Jim Elliot

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.



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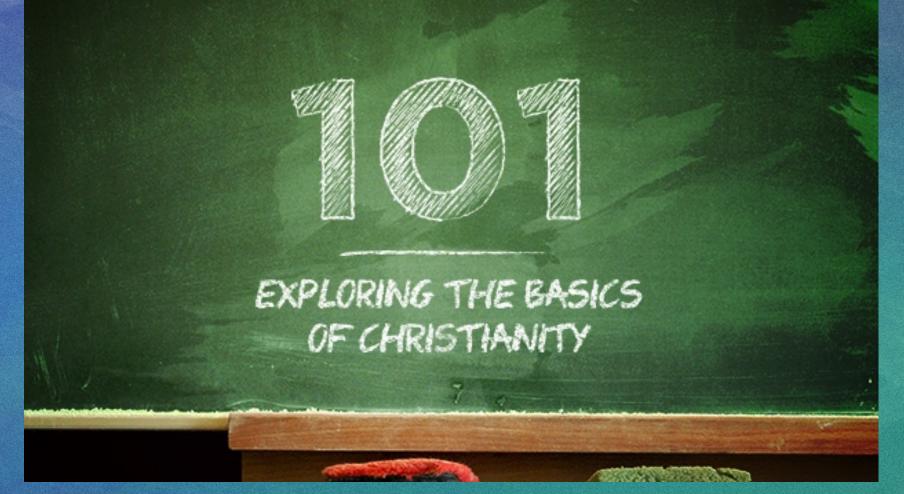


### 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the GOSPEL I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are SAVED, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.





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