

## **"He Is Risen"**

John 20

1 Corinthians 15:13,14 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.

### **1. He Died Deliberately**

Revelation 13:8c ...the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world.

John 12:27 Now my heart is troubled and what shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour."

Luke 22:20b This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

John 10:18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.

### **2. He Defeated Death**

a. He satisfied the *Feeling is Believing* crowd

John 20:2b They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put him!

Ecclesiastes 3:4 ...a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance.

Ecclesiastes 3:6b ...a time to keep and a time to throw away

Ecclesiastes 3:8 ...a time to love and a time to hate.

John 20:19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said "Peace be with you"!

John 20:20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

b. He satisfied the *Prove it to Believe* crowd.

John 20:25b "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it.

John 20:29b Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

### **3. He Delivered HIS PEOPLE from their sin**

2 Peter 3:8 But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.