

Why Do I Celebrate Easter?

1 Corinthians 15:8-10, 50-58

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Introduction: As Christians we have several special days that we mark on our calendars to celebrate. For example, we celebrate Christmas, Palm Sunday, and Good Friday. But of all the holidays we commemorate Easter ranks the highest! Without it none of the other truths from those holy days would matter. There would be no Christian faith, no salvation from sin or death and no hope! But Because Christ rose from the dead the life giving power of salvation was provided for sinners. In John 11:25 Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life: he who believes in me shall live, even if he dies.” Tonight, I’d like to share with you 4 reasons why I celebrate Easter. My reasons will be taken from 1 Corinthians 15 the Magna Carta on the subject of the resurrection.

I. God Promises a Changed Life Here and Now (vs. 8-10)

A. A deep recognition of sin (vs. 8-9)

B. A revolution of character (vs. 10a)

C. A dramatic redirection of energy (vs. 10b)

II. God Promises a New Body in the Future (vs. 50-54)

III. God Promises to Give us Victory (vs. 55-57)

A. Victory over death – eternal life (vs. 55-56)

B. Victory in life (vs. 57)

IV. God Promises to Reward us for Our Work (vs. 58)



Conclusion: Because of His resurrection, we have every reason to worship our Savior! For He has promised us a changed life here and now, a new body, victory over death and victory in life and rewards for the future. Take time this week to celebrate what God has accomplished in the resurrection of Jesus and claim these promises for yourself.