



TRIUMPH AND VICTORY

Structure

1. **What's the Big Idea?**
2. **Why it's so important.**

1. The Big Idea

- a. The Big Idea explained**
- b. The Big Idea read - 1 Cor 15**
- c. The Big Idea boiled down**
- d. The Lynchpin of the Big Idea**

2. Why it's so important

a. So what if it's false...

b. So what if it's true...



1. The Big Idea

a. The Big Idea explained

b. The Big Idea read - 1 Cor 15



1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

¹ Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

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

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

14 And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise...

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.



1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

24 Then comes the end, when he [Jesus] delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last

1 Corinthians 15:1-4; 14-28 (ESV)

enemy to be destroyed is death... ²⁸

When all things are subjected to him,
then the Son himself will also be
subjected to him who put all things in
subjection under him, that God may be
all in all.

**3. For I delivered to you as of
first importance**



1 Corinthians 15:3-4

Boiled down:

1. Jesus died for (*on behalf of*) our sin,
2. Buried
3. God-the-Father raised Him on the third day in accordance with the scriptures.

1. Why its so important (The Implications)

a. So what if it's false...

b. So what if it's true...



1 Corinthians 15:14-19 (ESV)

14 And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise...

1 Corinthians 15:14-19 (ESV)

17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

19 If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

1 Corinthians 15:14-20 (ESV)

14 And if Christ has not been raised....

**17 And if Christ has not been raised,
your faith is futile and you are still in
your sins.**



1 Corinthians 15:14-20 (ESV)

20 BUT.... in FACT Christ has been raised from the dead,



Facts

- 1. The tomb was empty**
- 2. The guards lied**
- 3. Independently verifiable eyewitness accounts**
- 4. People tortured unto death**
- 5. Historically accurate and verifiable records**

1 Corinthians 15:21 (ESV)

**21 For as by a man came death,
by a man has come also the
resurrection of the dead.**

**22 For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all
be made alive.**



[Over and] against all his enemies, God [GUARANTEES] his original creative purposes are not thwarted [by providing] the absolute perfection that he intends for his people.

Craig Blomberg, *1 Corinthians*, The NIV Application Commentary (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House, 1994), 306–307.

Psalm 110:1 (ESV)

of David....

¹ [*God-the-Father*] The Lord says to
[*God-the-Son*] my Lord:

“Sit at my right hand, until I make
your enemies your footstool.”

1 Corinthians 15:24-26 (ESV)

24 Then comes the end, when he [Jesus] delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death...

1 Corinthians 15:28 (ESV)

Paradise lost - Paradise regained

**When all things are subjected to
him....that God may be all in all.**



Romans 10:9 (ESV)

⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

