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He was buried, and he was raised from the dead  
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## **1 Corinthians 15:17-18 (NLT)**

And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins. <sup>18</sup> In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!

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**HOPE for those  
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# The **HEART** of the Gospel

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## **IF Christ was Not Raised then...**

- your Faith is **FUTILE**
- you are still **DEAD** in your sins
- those who have died are **DEAD** and **GONE**
- you are absolute **FOOLS** for Believing a **LIE**

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**IF** in fact **Christ** has **NOT** been **RAISED**,  
then His death did **NOT** pay for **sin**, and there  
is **NO hope** for life with **God** in heaven. ESVN

<sup>20</sup> **BUT IN FACT**, Christ has been **RAISED**  
from the **DEAD**. He is the **FIRST** of a great  
harvest of all who have died. (NLT)

The **Resurrection** was God's Validation  
that the **Redemption PRICE PAID** by  
**Christ** on **the cross** was **ACCEPTED**. BKC

Romans 4:25 (NIV)

He was delivered over to **DEATH**  
**FOR** our sins and was **RAISED to life**  
for our **JUSTIFICATION.**

Hebrews 4:14-15 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have a **great High Priest** who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

15 For we do not have **a high priest** who is  
**unable to sympathize** with our  
**weaknesses...**

His **COMPASSION** for us is based on **hard-earned human experience**: He has **been tempted** in every way, just as we are. DA Carson

Hebrews 12:2-3 (NIV)

**Let us fix our eyes on Jesus**, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before **Him endured the cross**, scorning its shame, and **sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

<sup>3</sup> **Consider Him** who endured such opposition from sinful men, **SO THAT** you will not grow **WEARY** and lose heart.

Oh soul are you weary and troubled?

**No light in the darkness you see?**

There's light for a look at the Savior

And life more abundant and free

Through death into life everlasting  
**He passed and we follow Him there**  
O'er us sin no more hath dominion  
For more than conquerors we are

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus**

**Look FULL in His Wonderful Face**

and the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
in the light of His glory and grace