

Title: Resurrection Faith

Mark 11:20-22

Introduction

Today Christians worldwide are celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. It takes faith to believe in the Resurrection.

1. Following the Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, Jesus and the disciples returned to Jerusalem each day after spending the night in _____.
2. In Jerusalem, Jesus enters the temple, _____ the money changers' tables, and accuses them of being thieves and robbers.

I. The Faith of God

3. Faith is *an* _____ *with God* as well as divine revelation about what pleases Him.
4. Faith is always God's work _____ by the Lord.
5. This continual faith is _____ out of a relationship and contact with God.
6. Faith is an _____ word!
7. The faith that Jesus talks about here to his disciples is the ongoing process of _____ continued revelation and insight from God.
8. When you connect with God through Jesus Christ, faith comes _____ to you!

II. Faith That Overcomes

9. Jesus is not talking about having a positive mental _____.
10. This kind of faith puts on the _____ of Christ.
11. The point Jesus is making is that faith _____ doubt.
12. Believing faith does not waver because it _____ completely in the Source of faith.
13. The Apostle Paul says our battlefield is not on a human level because we are engaged in spiritual _____.
14. Our human thoughts and ideas are sometimes in direct _____ to the knowledge that comes from God.
15. Too often, we try to figure out ways to use God's power without _____ ourselves to him or surrendering our will to His will.
16. People of faith today need to cry out to God for _____ against all the disobedience that is pervading our world.

III. The Faith That Gives Life

17. Too often, we are confused by our circumstances because our situations in life _____ us.
18. Through faith, we _____ from God's point of view.
19. We can _____ to any mountain in our life in the power of the Holy Spirit and see those mountains become a plain.

20. The message of Easter is that Jesus is _____!
21. Because He lives, anyone who chooses Jesus will also overcome death and _____ eternal life!
22. Jesus was the firstfruit, but we are the _____ fruit!
23. Unfortunately, for many, disappointment or disillusionment _____ them from believing that mountains can actually be moved.
24. Mountain-moving faith requires putting God first at the _____ of your life!

IV. The Faith That Forgives

24. According to Jesus, forgiveness has a _____ bearing on our faith life.
25. Withholding forgiveness is _____ to God's will, and the mountainous obstacles you face will remain.
26. Unforgiveness _____ out mountain-moving faith.
27. The Faith of God must _____ the conflict that caused the pain and suffering in your life, or else unforgiveness will take root in your heart and hinder your fellowship with God and others.
29. Forgiveness is the _____ to restoring fellowship.

Conclusion

30. It is the _____ that makes Resurrection Faith possible.

31. It is the Cross that makes God's forgiveness _____ to us.

The resurrection restores our relationship with God and makes it possible for us to forgive those who have hurt us! The resurrection puts us on the path to restoration. Resurrection faith takes the promise of a miracle and makes it a reality! Resurrection faith destroys the kingdom of darkness around you and floods you with the light of God's grace! It is the kind of faith that frees us to forgive and to be forgiven!

Answers

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| 1. Bethany | 12. trusts | 23. prevents |
| 2. overturns | 13. warfare | 24. center |
| 3. experience | 14. opposition | 25. direct |
| 4. imparted | 15. submitting | 26. disobedience |
| 5. born | 16. justice | 27. cancels |
| 6. action | 17. confine | 28. conquer |
| 7. receiving | 18. see | 29. key |
| 8. naturally | 19. speak | 30. Cross |
| 9. attitude | 20. Risen | 31. available |
| 10. mind | 21. inherit | |
| 11. overcomes | 22. continuing | |

QUESTIONS FOR MEDITATION

1. How are "faith" and "belief" similar? How are they different? What can you do to allow God to develop both together in your life?
2. Do you have any immovable obstacles in your life? Are there mountainous circumstances you're facing? Do you look at the impossibility of your situations, or do you see through his eyes of faith? What prevents you from seeing your situations from God's perspective?
3. How can a lack of forgiveness stunt your faith? Is there someone or something you need to forgive in order to develop "mountain moving faith"?