

Our Daily Reminder

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TODAY'S READING: 1 Corinthians 15

I need to be reminded of the gospel every single day. If I am going to preach the gospel to others, I need to have the gospel on my mind throughout the day. If am going to treat others how Christ treats me, I must be dwelling on who God is and what he has done for me. In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul reminds the church of their salvation.

It is so encouraging to be reminded that our faith is rooted in a real history. In verses 3 and 4 Paul reminds us that Christ's death fulfilled the law! Real historical documents written 700 years before Christ foretold what would happen -- the real historical person, Jesus Christ of Nazareth, was nailed to a cross and died. The Old Testament points to Christ, and the New Testament bears witness to his life, death, and resurrection. Most of the New Testament was written within 36 years of Christ's death! For context, historians trust what we know of Alexander The Great to be true, and the earliest document we have about his life was written 400 years after his death. We have more original manuscripts of biblical texts than any other book in the world. We need reminders of how awesome our God is!

Paul reminds us in verses 9 and 10 that he was on his way to kill Christians when God saved him. Paul did nothing to deserve his salvation. Just like Paul, we are saved by grace through faith. Grace is getting a good thing we do not deserve. Grace is unmerited favor from God. We deserve punishment, and God grants us eternal life through Christ. Our sins are forgiven, and we are given Christ's perfect record. Brothers and sisters, we do not live this Christian life in vain, Jesus is alive, and you can trust the God of the Bible!

PRAYER: Father, thank you for revealing your Word to me. Thank you for giving me access to your Word daily. Thank you for sending your Son to die in my place. Thank you for giving me grace although I am undeserving.

TOMORROW'S READING: 1 Corinthians 16

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