

EASTER 2012 | LET THE RESURRECTION ARGUE WITH YOU 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11



*We take a break from our Abraham series this week to reflect on the resurrection of Jesus.
Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

- 1.) What stands out to you from this passage as significant, challenging or confusing?
- 2.) A lot of scholars believe that in versus 3-7 Paul is quoting an early Christian creed. Why do you think early Christians found it helpful to memorize and recite something like this? Do you have any verses that you have found helpful to commit to memory?
- 3.) Why does Paul claim that belief in the resurrection of Jesus is of “first importance”?
- 4.) Paul makes three arguments in favor of the resurrection in this passage? What are they?
- 5.) Agree or disagree: Either Jesus really rose from the dead, or the explosive growth of the early church is the strangest phenomena in history.
- 6.) How can the resurrection of Christ change our lives here and now? (See 1 Cor 15:16-20; 30-32).
- 7.) What can you apply to your life this week? (See the Spiritual Exercise for suggestions)

Spiritual Exercise: Jesus came not to be served but to serve – and he lived this out all the way to the Cross. How can you, in turn, serve others? Choose one of these ways (note: sign up for each of these THIS WEEK). You can sign up by clicking links in the weekly email update, or on the website (<http://www.newcitycincy.org/news/post/serving-cincinnati--1-out-of-3-aint-bad>).

- Volunteer for **Super Saturdays** at Parker School in April (14, 21, 28) – 8:30am-11:30am. You can tutor a student or volunteer to help with breakfast or lunch. You can sign up for one, or all 3 Saturdays.
- Join the **Great American Cleanup** in Oakley or Madisonville on April 21.
- Help with the **New City Water Station** for the Flying Pig on May 6 (click to the rotator image on the home page at newcitycincy.org).