

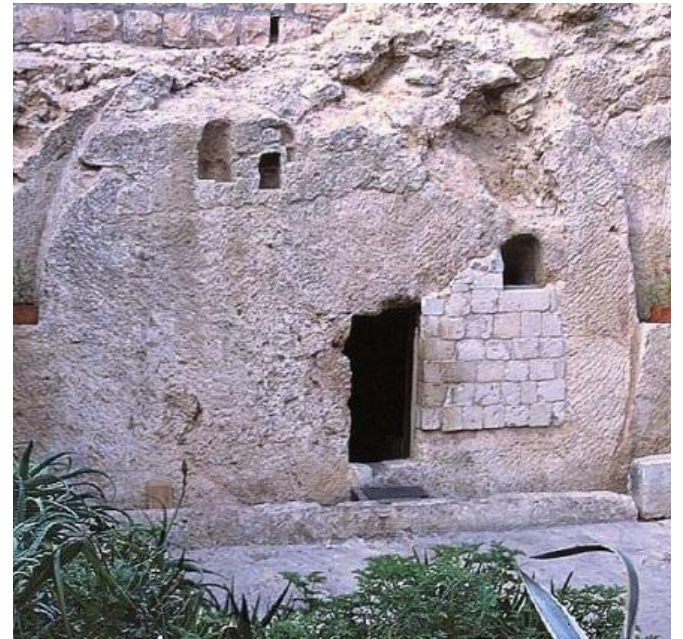
# Christ the Firstfruits

1 Corinthians 15:20-23

# Jesus' resurrection:

## 1. A Historical Fact (15:20a)

The resurrected Lord  
appeared to many  
eyewitnesses.



Two characteristics of this event:

**1. It is a unique resurrection.**

A resurrection to life that will know no death.

**2. It is God's Divine approval of Christ's work to make salvation possible.**

The Father accepted the Son's sacrifice.

## 2. An Authentic Pledge (15:20b, 23)

Jesus' resurrection is an authentic pledge from God that a full Harvest will come.



### **3. A Glorious Hope** (15:20c, 23)

The harvest will happen when Christ returns but it will only be for those who belong to Jesus.



How does anyone become Christ's  
possession?

*Acknowledge Who He is, repent of your  
sin, commit yourself to Him as your  
Saviour and Lord.*

If you do not belong to Christ you  
will be raised and harvested for  
eternal punishment/destruction.

## **Conclusion—Abundant Life!**

Jesus' resurrection guarantees the resurrection of His people.

*Our resurrection will be to abundant life in the setting of the new heaven and earth.*

What a glorious future awaits the people belonging to Jesus!