

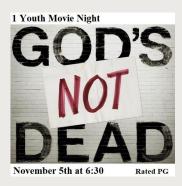
1 Youth Ministry

Grades 7-12

October 27, 2021 The Resurrection - Why the truth is so important



Sundays at 9:30 The Resurrection Why the truth is so important



Friday Nov 5th 6:30pm



Wednesdays 7:00 PM

The Chosen
Official Trailer

Questions answered about The Chosen by the director

View the entire first two seasons here

Midweek Youth

Join us every Wed. from 7-8pm for fellowship and prayer along with lessons applying Biblical principles to your life today and get answers to all your questions.

Foster Care Teens Personal Care Items

We are still collecting
"Personal Care Items" for teens

in foster care throughout the year. Items for both male and female teens are being collected in the bin just



Discovering The Thread of the Gospel Through The Big-Picture Story of the Bible

Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

Join us every Wednesday night from 7:00pm to 8:00pm for an exciting new series about seeing the "Thread" of the Gospel through the entire Bible.

Together, we will see that Jesus was God's word made in the flesh, as both messenger and the message of God's salvation for all and He can be seen throughout the Bible from Genesis to Revelation and everywhere in between.

Sundays at 9:30am

outside our youth room. These items will be sorted into personal bags and given to DCS to be distributed to teens who may not even have their own tooth brush or comb.

Bible verse of the week

1 Corinthians 15:12-22 12 But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. ¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.



The Resurrection Why the truth is so important

A couple of weeks ago, we started with a game of Two Truths and A Lie - <u>About Jesus</u>. Then we discussed the importance of knowing the truth of what Jesus actually said and did when we are defending our faith as they are the truths most often attacked with lies.

We said that probably the most important thing that Jesus ever said and did was His Resurrection. Without it, nothing else matters.

We talked about what it is like when we believe somebody and then find out that they were lying. We said that just one lie causes us to have second thoughts and to doubt everything else they ever said. So, it's not enough to make promises, you have to actually follow through or people stop believing anything you say.

That's why the Resurrection of Jesus is so important. All throughout His ministry Jesus made some pretty amazing claims about Himself and about the world. One of His biggest and most incredible claims was that He would rise again from the dead on the third day after He was crucified.

Everything else that He said throughout His three years of ministry rested on that final claim. If He rose from the dead, everything else that He said would be proven to be true. But, if He didn't, He would be no better than any of the others making crazy claims. Everything that He taught would be brought into doubt.

Paul even said as much in 1 Corinthians 15. Without the Resurrection, our faith is "useless and futile". Even worse, our testimony would be found to be "false witness about God". Even Jesus' Disciples, the one's who were supposed to spread the Gospel and build the Church, had completely given up until they actually saw Jesus resurrected and alive.

That's why, starting from that very first morning that Mary found the tomb empty, generations upon generations of unbelievers have attempted to prove that the resurrection never happened. Without it, there is no Christianity. Worse yet, there would be no salvation.

Romans 10:9 says: "If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you

will be saved." It's literally the basis of our salvation prayer!

We talked about the book and movie, 'A Case For Christ', where an investigative reporter dedicates his life to proving the resurrection to be false. Of course, he couldn't do it and neither can the hundreds of others who continue to try today. But, time and time again the more people try to disprove Jesus and the resurrection, the more they find that it is historically, archeologically, and sociologically proven to be true.

We said that out of all the truths, our ability to defend the one truth of the resurrection is probably the most important.

This week's question: We spoke a little about the question, If God created the universe, who created God? We said that our limited minds have a really hard time trying to understand a completely unlimited spirit being who has always been and always will be with no beginning and no end. In order to create the universe God could not be in the universe as he created time, space, and all matter so He must be outside the limits of all that we know and He must have also existed before His creation in order to create it. If He was limited by time, space, or matter, being in the universe, then He would not be God. Also, if He existed in the very beginning, before everything else, then there could be nothing or no one who could have created Him.

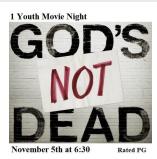
Upcoming Events

First Friday Youth Movie Night

Join us at LWA on November,5th, at 6:30pm for Youth Movie Night!

The movie will be the 2014 movie, "God's NOT Dead". For youth, grades 7-12, friends and families.

Rated PG



Freshman university student Josh Wheaton attends a philosophy class, where Professor Radisson requires all students to submit a signed statement staying "God is dead" and never existed. When Josh refuses because of his own beliefs, the professor challenges him to defend his position, which leads to a series of confrontational presentations between himself and the professor, with the class as jury.

See Trailer Here

