

**A Skeptic's Surprise**  
*Good News for a Change – Part 2*  
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**Why is the resurrection important?**

“If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.”  
1 Corinthians 15:17 (NIV)

**The Four E's of the Resurrection**

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“Jesus' death as a consequence of crucifixion is indisputable.”  
Atheist Scholar Gerd Lüdemann

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“For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also . . .”  
1 Corinthians 15:3-8 (NIV)

“This tradition, we can be entirely confident, was formulated as tradition within months of Jesus' death.”  
Historian James D. G. Dunn

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“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, [even] to those who believe in His name.”  
John 1:12 (NASB)

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