

**WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES!**  
**Hope for the hopeless and...**  
**Encouragement for those with a Blessed Hope!**  
1Corinthians 15:12-20

**I. WHAT IF CHRIST WAS NOT RAISED? (15:12-19)**

- A. A preliminary premise:** Paul asserts the obvious connection between Christ's resurrection and ours **(12-13)**
  
- B. If Christ were not raised...Scripture would be untrustworthy & of no value (14-15)**
  - 1. The preaching of Christ would be empty (14a)
  
  - 2. Our faith would be empty (14b)
  
  - 3. The eye witnesses would be false witnesses, thus the Word would be untrue
  
- C. If Christ were not raised...Our faith in Christ would be worthless:** Sin & death would conquer us **(16-18)**
  
- D. If Christ were not raised...Our hope in Christ would pitiful:** Only for this life **(19)**

**II. YET IT DID HAPPEN!!! "HE HAS TRULY RISEN!" (20)**

**What are the implications?**

- A. The Scriptures are accurate and true
  
- B. There is forgiveness of sins and eternal life
  
- C. There is a blessed and eternal hope