

Joh 11:25 Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the Life! He who believes in Me, though he die, yet he shall live. How significant is the resurrection to you and I? So significant that the Apostle Paul said' **1Co 15:16** For if *the* dead are not raised, then Christ is not raised.

1Co 15:17 And if Christ is not raised, your faith *is* foolish; you are yet in your sins. **1Co 15:18** Then also those that fell asleep in Christ were lost. **1Co 15:19** If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. It is so significant that if it didn't happen my faith is foolish and my preaching is in vain. But I have great news it did happen, He is alive, and therefore I am alive with Him for eternity. **1Co 15:20** But now Christ has risen from *the* dead, *and* has become the firstfruit of those who slept. It is so significant that salvation hinges on it. Romans 10 verse 9 tells us that we must believe God raised Jesus from the dead. All our hope for eternal life rest in Him and His resurrection; **Rom 10:9** Because if you confess the Lord Jesus, and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from *the* dead, you shall be saved. Jesus is the author or the cause of the resurrection. It so depends on His power and will, that it may be said that He is the resurrection itself. This is a most expressive

way of saying that the whole doctrine of the resurrection came from Him, and the whole power to affect it was His.

This Easter may we remember His Passion and His love for us. Moreover, be most encouraged that --
"And life is worth the living just because he lives. God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus, He came to love, to heal and forgive He bled and died to buy my pardon, An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives"
"Because He lives I can face tomorrow. Because He lives all fear is gone. Because I know He holds the future. And life is worth the living just because He lives"
"And then one day I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain; And then, as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory, and I'll know He lives"
"Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives all fear is gone Because I know He holds the future And life is worth the living just because He lives"

He is alive!

Because of Calvary,
Bro. Doug Browner