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## A Culture Of Confusion: A Study In 1 Corinthians

"Resurrection Clarity"

1 Corinthians 15:12-34

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12-29-24

Introduction: As we return to 1 Corinthians this morning, Paul is dealing with resurrection confusion.

1. Since the resurrection is the foundation of our faith, it was essential Paul cleared up this confusion.
2. In verses 1-11 he explained that the resurrection was at the heart of the gospel and the catalyst to our transformation in Christ.
3. As we come to today's text, Paul makes a comparison between Corinthian error and resurrection reality.
4. Resurrection confusion undermines the cause of Christ, so Paul writes to correct that confusion.

### I. A Hypothetical: What If There Is No Resurrection?

- A. Christ Wasn't Raised
- B. Preaching Is Empty
- C. Faith Is Empty
- D. We Are Liars
- E. We Are Lost In Sin
- F. Dead Believers Have Perished
- G. We Are Pathetic

### II. The Reality: Christ Is Risen

#### A. The Facts

- First Fruits
- Theology
- Timeline

#### B. The Ramification (Application)

- Why?
- Do Not Be Deceived
- Focus

Conclusion: What is Paul doing here?

1. He starts by taking the Corinthian error to its logical conclusion.
2. But then contrasts that with resurrection reality.
3. In our culture today it has become fashionable to accept many beliefs.
4. Paul shows clearly the danger of wrong beliefs.
5. He then calls us to a clarity that focuses on the mission God has given us.
6. Will you join me?