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### **The Gospel of Faith**

#### <u>What's at Stake</u> - 1 Cor. 15.1-19

"I delivered to you as of first importance" v. 3

- "Your faith is futile" v. 17
- "You are still in your sins" v. 17
- "Those who have [died] have perished" v. 18
- "We are of all people most to be pitied" v. 19

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#### The Empty Tomb – John 20.1-10

- "They have taken the Lord" v. 2
  - Mary wasn't looking for a risen savior.
- "the face cloth [was] folded up" v. 7
  - This was not a hasty grave robbing.
- "the other disciple... saw and believed" v. 8
  - The empty tomb was enough to stir belief.

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#### <u>The Appearances</u> <u>– John 20.11-29</u>

- "she did not know it was Jesus" v. 14
  - Mary still wasn't looking for a risen savior.
- "He showed them His hands and side" v. 20
  - Jesus' disciples were convinced by evidence.

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- "Unless I see... I will never believe" v. 25
  - Thomas was not easily convinced.

#### The Significance – John 20.30-31

"by believing you may have life in his name"

- Abundant life now!
  - John 10.10; Eph. 1.3ff, 2.1-7; 3.16-21

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- Eternal life later!
  - John 3.16; 1 Cor. 15.50-57

#### The Application - 1 Cor. 15.58

- Therefore, my beloved brothers:
  - Be steadfast
  - Immovable
  - Always abounding in the work of the Lord

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Knowing that...your labor is not in vain

# We have evidence of a risen Lord!

## Because He lives, we can share in His victory!