



## The Case for Christ

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1 Corinthians 15:17

*<sup>17</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.*

### 1. EXECUTION

"Jesus' death as a consequence of crucifixion is indisputable."

*– atheist scholar Gerd Lüdemann*

### 2. EARLY ACCOUNTS

"This tradition, we can be entirely confident, was formulated as tradition within months of Jesus' death."

*– Historian James D.G. Dunn*

### 3. EMPTY TOMB

### 4. EYEWITNESSES

- 1 Corinthians 15 creed
- Paul's testimony about disciples
- Sermon summaries in Acts
- Four Gospels
- Clement
- Polycarp

John 1:12 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup> *“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.*

**Believe + Receive = Become**