SERMON NOTES June 26, 2022 Sermon: Evidence of First Importance

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Text: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Introduction

- 1. <u>What</u> is of first importance?
 - Christ <u>died</u>, v.3b
 - Christ was <u>buried</u>, v.4a
 - Christ was <u>raised</u>, v. 4b

• Christ <u>appeared</u>, vv.5-7

1. Why is it true?

- Because it fulfills <u>Scripture</u>, vv.3,
- Because it describes <u>eyewitness</u> <u>testimony</u>, vv.5-7
- Because it transforms <u>skeptics</u>, vv.5-8

1. How does it apply?

It enables you to <u>stand</u>, vv.1-2, 10-11