

# “Living Hope”

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 17, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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*1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

**BIG IDEA:** The Resurrection of Jesus Christ gives us a Living Hope!

*“For I passed on to you as most important what I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.”*  
*1 Corinthians 15:3, 4 (CSB)*

## **The Gospel proclaimed.** (v1-2)

- **Preach it.**
- **Receive it.**
- **Stand on it.**
- **Be saved by it.**

## **The Gospel explained.** (v3-4)

- **Christ’s death.**
- **Christ’s burial.**
- **Christ’s resurrection.**

## **The Gospel verified.** (v5-8)

- **By Peter.**
- **By the 12.**

- **By 500.**
- **By James.**
- **By All of the Apostles.**
- **By Paul.**

## **The Gospel applied.** (v9-11)

- **To Paul.**
- **To the Corinthians.**
- **To Me!**

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**Read:** Re-read 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

**Think:** Contemplate the historical reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and then ask yourself the following questions: *Why does Paul remind them of the Gospel (v 1-2)? What about Christ is of “first importance” (v 3-8)? Why stress Christ’s appearances (v 5-8)? Why the stress on God’s grace (v 9-11)?*

**Do:** Identify four facts of the Gospel you might explain to an interested friend. How would you counter those who “explain away” the resurrection? Describe where you would be if not for God’s grace.