

# RESURRECTION POWER

1 CORINTHIANS 15:7-10

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Who of us hasn't faced a lost cause.

In *1 Corinthians 15:7-10*, we learn how the power of this resurrection represents hope for other lost causes and dead issues.

The apostle Paul's testimony is that the power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead is –

1. Life-changing.
2. Energizing.
3. Available.

1) Resurrection power is life-changing.

- Paul's experience should give us hope and confidence that no one is too bad to be changed by the Lord.
- What changes in your life have you been unable to make?
- Who in your life, is least likely (like Paul) to receive Christ?
- Where would you be now if not for God's grace?

2) Resurrection power is energizing.

- You may be changed – but you will still need the power to live, love, and work as unto the Lord.

- What has God called you to be and to do – that you can't (or won't) do in your own strength – but for which you need His energizing power?
  
- What does Paul say in (in your own words)?
  - *Philippians 2:13*
  - *Philippians 4:13*
  - *Romans 8:11*

3) Resurrection power is available.

Note that in *verse 10*, Paul calls this power grace.

Why?

Grace is any expression of the kindness of God that is given to those who do not deserve it.

How do we receive this grace?

Begin by acknowledging to yourself and to God that you are a sinner.

Next, you'll need to face squarely the fact that you, a mortal and imperfect being cannot please an infinitely holy and perfect God.

You need a righteousness that comes from outside yourself – that comes from God Himself.

Lastly you must acknowledge that Christ's life, death, and resurrection was on your behalf.

Trust in Jesus Christ today – then you will begin to experience for yourself the wonders of Christ's resurrection power.

***2 Corinthians 5:17 – "...if anyone..."***