

**Sermon Notes – March 27, 2016**  
**“Really Good News: Jesus Is Risen”**  
**Mark 16:1-8 and**  
**1 Corinthians (selected verses)**  
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Bullet points of evidence for the New Testament’s claim of Jesus’ resurrection:

- Jesus was dead and buried.
- Days after his burial, Jesus’ tomb was empty.
- On multiple occasions, people reported seeing him alive again.
- Many of the original witnesses were killed because they would not deny their claim to have seen Jesus alive again.
- The movement of Jesus’ followers – the church – continues to flourish.

For links to video lectures and debates about this evidence you might start by googling either: 100 Huntley Place/resurrection or One Minute Apologist.

Some reasons why Jesus’ resurrection matters:

- A demonstration of life not ending with physical death.
- Legitimizes Jesus’ teaching and identity as God’s Son.
- Demonstrates that Jesus’ death atones for human sin.
- Provides reason for confidence in God’s ultimate victory over evil.