

Class #1: The Facts

Why is the resurrection important?

Evidence that Jesus was buried in Joseph's tomb:

- There is no other _____ story of where Jesus was buried.
- Joseph being both a member of the Sanhedrin and the generous giver of the tomb would have been an _____ fact for early Christians. If it were not true, Christians would have never _____ this generosity to him voluntarily.

1. The Discovery of Jesus' empty tomb

- _____ independent sources
- _____ discovered empty tomb
- The response of the Jewish _____

2. Appearances of Jesus alive after his death

- List of eyewitnesses:
 - Peter, _____ disciples, James, Paul, apostles, _____ brothers
- _____ independent sources (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John)

3. The disciples' belief that Jesus rose from the dead

- Disciples going from _____ to _____
- No knowledge of individual resurrection
- Crucifixion = _____
- Paul and James' conversions
- Early rise of _____ unexplainable without _____

For more info, check out these resources by Dr William Lane Craig:

Books: *Reasonable Faith*, and *On Guard*

Videos: 30 minute Lecture: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z8lkuuhVkJ0I>

30 minute interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TtSXyrEzXs4>

7 minute animated video, part 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qhQRMhUK1o>

7 minute animated video, part 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6SbJ4p6WiZE>