

A wooden cross stands in the center of a field of tall, dry grass. The background is a clear blue sky. The text "If Christ Be Not Raised" is overlaid on the image in a large, yellow, bold font with a black outline.

**“If Christ Be Not
Raised”**

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If Christ Be Not Raised

- The Fact of The Resurrection
- The Empty Tomb
 - His death was publicly witnessed
Luke 22:33-38, 44-49
 - Multiple witnesses saw His burial
Luke 23:50-56
 - Multiple witnesses saw the empty tomb
Luke 24:1-12



If Christ Be Not Raised

- **The Post-Mortem Appearances**
 - ***1 Corinthians 15:3-8***
 - **Most are still living – Go ask them yourself vs.6**
- **The Conversion of Saul**
 - **What can account for such a change?**
 - ***Acts 22:1-16; 9:15-16***

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- **The Boldness of the Disciples**

Acts 4:12-31; 7:51-60; 8:1-4

- **James – Sword**
- **Thomas – Speared**
- **Matthew – Speared**
- **Philip – Crucified**
- **Bartholomew – Crucified**
- **Andrew, James, Thaddaeus, Simon - Crucified**

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"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

BUT THANKS BE TO GOD, WHO GIVES US THE

VICTORY

THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

If Christ Be Not Raised

- The Impact of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

- Jesus is who He said He Is ***Romans 1:4***

- The call to repentance is real ***Acts 17:30***

- Judgement is real ***1 Peter 4:5***

- Salvation and Hope are real

1 Corinthians 15:20-22 cf. Romans 6:4-7

have you

made your

**DECISION
FOR CHRIST?**

