

TAKEAWAY

Big Ideas Key Christian Beliefs

RESURRECTION

Sunday 9th December

INTRODUCTION

The resurrection of Jesus is the basis of the Christian faith, which is why it's important to ask two questions: Did it really happen? And so what?

READ

1 Corinthians 15 v 1-8

DISCUSS

1. What are the key elements of the 'gospel' (good news) Paul preached to the people of Corinth?
2. When did the reality of the resurrection of Jesus first impact you?
3. If someone asked you why you believe in the resurrection of Jesus, what would you say?
4. Theologian Wolfhart Pannenberg said, "The evidence for Jesus'

resurrection is so strong that nobody would question it except for two things: First, it is a very unusual event. And second, if you believe it happened, you have to change the way you live." Do you agree or disagree? Why?

5. Christians often talk about the cross more than the resurrection. Why do you think this is? Should we change?

6. What impact does the resurrection of Christ have on how you face life? How does it give you hope?

7. How does a confidence in the resurrection relate to our efforts to speak about Jesus to others?

8. Who could you invite to the carol services on Sunday? What might make the invite 'sweeter'? Eg Could your group gather with guests for mince pies or a glass of wine and build afterwards? What would work for your group?

