



10-MINUTE BIBLE LESSON

Message Received

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Before watching the video: What do you already know about the post-resurrection stories in the Gospels? Where have you seen them depicted in songs, TV shows, movies, and so on? What do you remember about them?

Now read the passage twice. Take time to notice every sentence and phrase. What stands out to you?

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures,⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe. – **1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

After watching the video: Paul begins this chapter by mentioning that he received a message about Jesus from others, which he has in turn passed on to the Corinthians. It illustrates the importance of sharing stories of faith with one another so that we may learn and grow. Can you think of a time when you shared the story of a faith experience with someone else, or when someone shared theirs with you?

Paul briefly tells of his own experience of the risen Christ appearing to him, and how life-changing it was for him. He was formerly a persecutor of the church and now he helps spread its message. In what ways do you hope to be changed by the stories that we tell during Holy Week? What is your prayer as you move through this special time toward Easter?

Conclude in prayer. Thank God for blessings, ask forgiveness for wrongs done, request help for uncertainty. Close with “amen.”