



**Supernatural: Demonstrated
Supernatural, Part 5**

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SUPERNATURAL — possible because the News is good.

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1 Corinthians 15:1–2

1. Tendency TO THINK THERE IS A BARRIER

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

1 Corinthians 15:3–4

God has decisively reversed the verdict... the death of Jesus is not another tragedy but God's strange means of overcoming sin / evil / brokenness...

- God goes out of His way, leaves no doubt: No one is too far gone — “Have you met, I don’t know, umm, the guy who wrote a third of the New Testament????”
- Know this: If I don’t come to Him, it’s because I WON’T, not because I CAN’T!

2. Tendency TO THINK THIS IS “REAL-ISH”, that the Jesus story is “TRUE-ISH”

Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 1 Corinthians 15:12

Demonstrates this is all true precisely BY raising Jesus from the dead!

Jesus actually died

was buried

rose

Appeared

Still lives... and does stuff... like LOTS of stuff

3. Tendency TO FEEL IT'S hopeless, that it doesn't matter — “Why pray, do good, why love and risk, why move close to God?”

For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality.

1 Corinthians 15:53

With all this going for us, my dear, dear friends, stand your ground. And don't hold back. Throw yourselves into the work of the Master, confident that nothing you do for him is a waste of time or effort.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Everything matters. Everything is spiritual. Everything ripples...

Every Sacrifice

Every “No” to selfishness

Every “Yes” to selfless love

Every mercy extended

Every grace given

Every prayer prayed

With “Mr. Resurrection”, it is still possible to be the person you always hoped you'd be...



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