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1 Cor. 15:3-6, “For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.”

He Is Risen Indeed! We can be confident of the fact that Jesus rose from the grave. History records it. People witnessed Him alive; more than five hundred at the same time. The only people that don't believe it are people who don't want to believe because it would then make them accountable for their own sin. **1 Cor. 1:18, “For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”**

Why did Jesus have to die? To pay our sin debt. His blood payment purchased us forever. **Rev. 5:9, “And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because You were slain, and with Your blood You purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.”**

Because Jesus is risen: Death is defeated! The victory is already won! He purchased us by His blood! He offers us salvation!

Dear LORD, we praise You because You have overcome sin and hell. You have purchased us with Your perfect blood. You have made us clean and whole and accepted. Thank You for Your ultimate sacrifice so that we could live! In Jesus Name, Amen