He Is Alive

¹ "Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. 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, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷ then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles..."

I Cor. 15:1-7

- A. Christianity COLLAPSES WITHOUT Christ's Resurrection
- B. Christianity Is ROOTED In HISTORY And Therefore Can Be Investigated Historically
- C. Many Of The Most <u>HOSTILE</u> <u>CRITICS</u> Of Christianity Accept The Basic Facts About The Resurrection Of Jesus Christ
 - 1. After His crucifixion, Jesus was **BURIED** in a **TOMB** by Joseph of Arimathea.
 - 2. On the Sunday following the crucifixion, Jesus's tomb was **FOUND EMPTY** by a group of his **WOMEN** followers.
 - 3. On multiple occasions and under various circumstances, different individuals and groups of people **EXPERIENCED APPEARANCES** of Jesus alive from the dead.
 - 4. The disciples did <u>NOT EXPECT</u> Christ's resurrection and were <u>RADICALLY TRANSFORMED</u> as a result of it.
- D. Refusing To <u>SURRENDER</u> To Christ As Lord, Is An <u>ETERNAL</u> Mistake