

SERMON NOTES

A Matter of Fact (*John 19:38-20:10*)

July 18, 2021

Introduction

I. **Fact: Dead and buried (19:38-42)**

Do you believe the witness? If so... so what?

II. **Fact: Risen (20:1-10)**

Do you believe the witness? If so... so what?

“What was it that within a few days transformed a band of mourners into the spiritual conquerors of the world? It was not the memory of Jesus’ life; it was not the inspiration which came from past contact with Him. But it was the message, ‘He is risen.’ That message alone gave to the disciples a living Saviour; and it alone can give to us a living Saviour today.”

(J. Grasham Machen, Christianity and Liberalism)

Conclusion

Q. How does Christ’s Resurrection Benefit Us?

A. First, by His resurrection He has overcome death, so that He might make us share in the righteousness He has won for us by His death. Second, by His power we too are already now resurrected to a new life. Third, Christ’s resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection.

(Heidelberg Catechism, Question 45)