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## What Christianity is all about:

- Jesus of Nazareth.

*When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.*

*(1 Corinthians 2:1-2, NIV)*

**There has never been any other  
person like Jesus.**

### Jesus' claims:

- To be the Messiah; the King of the Jews.
- To be the Son of God.
- To be able to forgive sins.
- To have been pre-existent before time.

**Jesus claimed to be God, and the only way  
to God.**

*I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6, NIV)*

**Jesus was killed on a cross.  
God raised Him from the dead.  
And we have seen Him.**

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*[Jesus] said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." (Mark 9:31, NIV)*

## Why I should believe in the resurrection:

1. Because of the eyewitness accounts.
2. In the Biblical accounts, the first eyewitnesses are women, not men.
3. A resurrection is the only explanation of the transformation of the disciples from cowards to missionaries.
4. All other religious movements of that era died out when the leader died, but Christianity did not.
5. Jesus' followers suffered rejection, torture and death for this claim, yet that did not stop them.
6. James and Jude, the brothers of Jesus, came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah.