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# The "If" That Changes Everything

### What If You Could Believe that Jesus Rose from the Dead?

There are some things which, if they are true, change everything.

If Jesus rose from the dead, it would transform what we think of God and how we see ourselves. We could make sense of some of the deepest mysteries of our existence and enjoy real hope in our everyday lives.

But can a rational person actually believe that Jesus rose from the dead? Mike Hood wants to show you that you can. In this short, personable book, he addresses questions like...

- why do any of us believe what we believe about life after death?
- what makes us hesitate to change our view of Jesus or God?
- what historical evidence is there for the resurrection?
- what will it mean for our lives now if there is life after death?

Bringing together thoughtful examination of the evidence and real-life stories from people who have come to believe in Jesus' resurrection, *The If That Changes Everything* shows how Christianity fits into and makes sense of our deepest questions and desires. Readers will be encouraged to see that faith in Jesus is both reasonable and life-changing in the best way.

Includes appendices by respected scholars John Lennox and John Dickson.

#### **About the Author**



Mike Hood is an evangelist, pastor, and writer who loves sharing the reality and beauty of Jesus. A former UCCF staff worker and church evangelist, he has given talks about the Christian faith to people of all ages, stages, and backgrounds, including at university outreach weeks all over the UK. He works as one of the pastors at Eden Baptist Church in Cambridge, UK.

#### **Endorsements**

"A great short introduction to the case for the resurrection of Jesus. Without the resurrection, things don't make sense, but this book shows that when we accept the truth of Jesus' resurrection, it makes the most sense of the historical evidence and of life itself."

#### **Peter J Williams**

Principal, Tyndale House, Cambridge; author, *Can We Trust* the Gospels?

"In a world of shifting questions and beliefs, Mike Hood offers something solid: a clear, compelling case for why the resurrection of Jesus isn't only credible but life-changing, and even world-changing. Mike doesn't just explain why the resurrection is a believable fact of history; he shows why that fact is so good. To read this book is to hear an invitation to explore how the resurrection of Jesus makes sense of history, shapes our identity and offers genuine hope. Whether you're exploring faith or looking to deepen it, this is a book worth reading."

Matt Lillicrap
CEO, UCCF

## **Suggested Interview Questions**

- 1. Why is confronting death head-on essential for genuinely living?
- 2. What personal journey led you to believe the resurrection "changes everything"?
- **3.** How does hope rooted in resurrection differ from wishful thinking?
- **4.** Why do so many resist engaging with the historical evidence for Jesus' resurrection?
- 5. What's the most common misconception people have about faith, and how does your book address it?
- 6. How does understanding God as personal and deeply caring transform someone's identity?
- 7. Beyond intellectual assent, what's the first step to experiencing the "new life" Jesus offers?
- 8. Why is the resurrection the "skeleton key" to unlocking life's biggest mysteries?
- 9. What's at stake if the resurrection isn't true?
- **10.** What's the one thing you most hope a skeptical reader does after finishing your book?











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