

Sermon Notes  
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Resurrection Life: Growing in Faith  
John 15:1-12

Christ's Resurrection Life . . . Means

**1. Christ's "Living Presence" With Us**

A. Not just a figure from the past

But Savior and Lord in the present (Romans 10:9-10)

Bringing us into a "right-relationship with God

B. How this change in in our view of Christ happens will vary

Fast (Saul/Paul, Acts 9)

Slow (Nicodemus, John 3)

**2. Christ's "Living Presence" Empowering Us**

A. To Grow in Character, Effectiveness, and Joy

- Fruit – Character (Galatians 5:22-23)
- Fruitfulness – Effectiveness (John 15:5,8)
- Salt & Light (Matthew 5:13-16)

B. When we Stay Connected (John 15:4,5,6,7)

- Open to Correction (John 15:2)
- Listening to Jesus' Word (John 15:3)
- Praying for God's Will (John 15:7)