The Resurrection in Christian Experience Dr. William E. Bell

Scripture Basic: Romans 1:1-4, 10:8-10, 6:5-11, 8:28-39

Focal: Romans 1:4, 10:9, 6:5-11, 8:31-35, 37

The Theological Significance of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

1. It authenticated the claims of Christ (Romans 1:4), and one must believe in it to be saved (Romans 10:9-10).

2. It ratified the efficacy of the atonement, i.e. it proved that God the Father accepted the sacrifice of God the Son for the sins of the world (Romans 4:25, 8:34).

3. Our identification with it is the basis for all needed power to overcome sin (Romans

6:1-14, Ephesians 1:19-22, Philippians 3:10).

4. It assures us of our own resurrection (Romans 8:11, John 14:19, I Corinthians 15:20, 23).

5. It assures the world of the certainty of judgment (Acts 17:31 - contrast Romans 8:1).