

There are some things in life, with a little common sense, are just givens. Only 100 years ago, one of those “givens” was evidently not so common sense. When the US postal service began parcel deliveries in 1913 it wasn't long before some ingenious parents got the bright idea of mailing their children. A 10-month old baby boy, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Beauge from Batavia, Ohio, was posted for the cost of 15 cents in stamps, though his parents did insure him for \$50. In the most famous case 5-year-old May Pierstorff was mailed via train from her home in Idaho, her parents lovingly stuck the stamps to her coat. So, the USPS had to issue a directive 100 years ago that no humans were to be carried in the mail! Go figure.....

This past Sunday we celebrated one of our “givens” that roughly 2000 years ago was unheard of. Paul in 1 Corinthians 15:14 said: “and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.” Why is the resurrection so pivotal? Without it, as Paul stated, our faith is in vain. If Christ was not raised from the dead all of what we do as a church and as Christians are merely kind deeds. Do you believe in the resurrection? More importantly, have you experienced the power of the resurrection in your life by personally knowing the one who died and was raised for you? If not, click on this link and find out how you can.

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