## What Gives?

I know the resurrection is a fact, and Watergate proved it to me. -- How?

Because 12 men testified they had seen Jesus raised from the dead, then they proclaimed that truth for 40 years, never once denying it. Every one was beaten, tortured, stoned and put in prison. They would not have endured that if it weren't true.

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Watergate embroiled 12 of the most powerful men in the world and they couldn't keep a lie for three weeks. You're telling me 12 apostles could keep a lie for 40 years? Absolutely impossible.

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Take away Easter and Karl Marx is right that Christians ignore the problems of the material world. Take away Easter and Freud was right that Christianity is little more than wish fulfillment. Take away Easter and Nietzsche was right to say that Christianity was for whims. If Jesus is flesh and bone - Luke 24:37-43 - then this is a game changer that the world has never witnessed before or since.

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Take care of your mind...

- ¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the <u>renewal of your mind</u>, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.
  - Romans 12:1-2

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- <sup>22</sup> to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup> and to be <u>renewed in the spirit of your</u> <u>minds</u>...
  - Ephesians 4:22-23

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- <sup>3</sup> For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup> For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. <sup>5</sup> We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and <u>take every thought captive</u> to obey Christ
  - 2 Corinthians 10:3-5