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Sermon – No Logic Necessary - Easter 2025 Scripture – 1<sup>st</sup> Cor 15:12-20, John 12:20-31

Main Message – The logical mind rebels against a Resurrection and such is the way God works.

I remember a young girl one time wanting to become baptized. I said great. She asked what do I need to do to be baptized. I told her, you must know that Jesus died for your sins, and that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day he rose from the dead and lives now at the at the Fathers right hand. (He is Risen, Indeed) She looked at me and said, "that's not possible." We must appreciate the honesty of that statement. The girl understood the need for salvation, but didn't fully grasp neither the what or the why of it being needed. Indeed, the world is becoming more and more "logical" and approaches everything with this mindset that we have the capacity to know and understand all things. Well, in the natural world maybe, but not in the supernatural. Human Logic and understanding got in the way 2000 years ago with Jesus and nothing much has changed unto this day. You don't actually have to logically understand it, but you do have to trust in a Supernatural God to do that which only He can do. **Read 1 Cor 15:12-20** 

So let me read to you from John the situation that never changes.

Read John 12:20-31 in expository style.

**Key Points** 

Greeks – Culturally steeped in philosophy and science of their own making.

Death – A seed must die to bring about fruit. Jesus died, and became the First Fruits

Glorify – God the Father has glorified his name, because no one else could save.

Worldly life vs Otherworldly – This one is temporary, the other is eternal. Place your bets!

Prince of this world – The enemy of us all, the Devil is cast out, but not his lingering spirit.

When we celebrate Jesus resurrection, called Easter, we are to be reminded that dying on the cross was need for atoning of our sins, but the rising from the grave is what gives us Hope for an otherworldly future that goes far beyond the logic of this world. Our Flesh will pass, but our soul can be with our Father in Heaven forever.

He is Risen

He is Risen Indeed

Glorify the Name in the all the earth. Amen