The Easter Difference: Resurrection Acts 23:6-10; 1 Corinthians 15:13-20 April 25, 2021

- I. Introduction: loss of a loved one
- II. Series: The Easter Difference
- III. Resurrection before Easter (Acts 23:6-10)
 - A. Setting
 - B. Diversionary tactic (23:6)
 - C. The violent division (23:9-10)
 - D. Was there resurrection before Easter?
- IV. Resurrection after Easter (1 Cor. 15:13-20)
 - A. The problem at Corinth
 - B. The resurrections go together (15:13, 16)
 - C. The dire consequences
 - 1. Proclamation is in vain (15:14, 16)
 - 2. Faith is vain/futile (15:14, 17)
 - 3. "Still in your sins" (15:17)
 - 4. The dead are lost (15:18)
 - 5. Our hope is empty (15:19)
 - D. The resolution (15:20)
- V. What about us?
 - A. Death is real
 - B. The resurrection
 - 1. Is a real, concrete event
 - 2. Makes hope concrete
 - 3. Is not the end
 - C. What do we say to the grieving
 - 1. Your grief/pain is real
 - 2. You will see him/her/them again
- VI. Conclusion: Steven Curtis Chapman (1962-)
 - "With Hope" (1998)