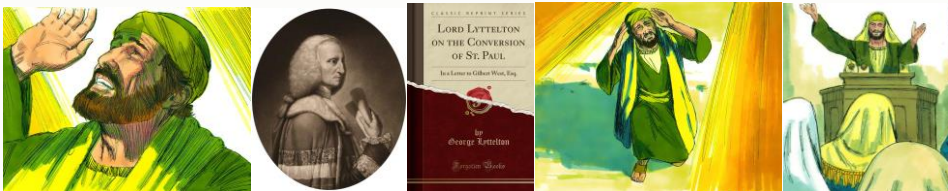


CONSIDERING THE RESURRECTION

The Conversion of Saul of Tarsus (the apostle Paul)

One of the great testimonies to the fact that Jesus Christ really did rise from the dead is the conversion of the apostle Paul. Formerly known as Saul of Tarsus, the apostle Paul was 'Public Enemy No.1' for the early church. He hated Christians for what they believed and made every effort to stamp out Christianity. The Bible records how ***“Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord...”*** (Acts 9:1) hunted down believers and persecuted them. Then, on the road to Damascus, he had a personal encounter with the risen Lord Jesus Christ and was converted! You can read the account of this in full in Acts 9, in the Bible.



In the 1700's, George Lyttelton set out to prove that Christianity was false, and chose to undermine the conversion of Paul as his means of doing so. Because Paul wrote much of the New Testament, if it could be shown he was never really converted, it would be a death blow to Christianity. However, as he investigated the facts he quickly became convinced of the matter and was also converted! He wrote a book to show it's true!