

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“Jesus is Alive”

Passion Week 2018 – Pt. 3

Revelation 1:17-18 & Selected

“I died, and behold I am alive forevermore.”

- Jesus of Nazareth

Because Jesus is Alive...

I. I won't be afraid of today!

“When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying, ‘Fear not.’” Vs. 17a

“In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His Only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him.”

1 John 4:9

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10

“For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.” Philippians 1:21

II. I won't be afraid of tomorrow!

“When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying, ‘Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore.’” Vs. 17-18a

- **Jesus died on a cross.**

“Jesus said, ‘It is finished,’ and He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.” John 19:30

“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23

“For our sake He made Him to be sin, who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”

2 Corinthians 5:21

- **Jesus was buried.**

“And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking Him down, wrapped Him in the linen shroud and laid Him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock.” Mark 15:46

- **Jesus was resurrected from the dead.**

“Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.” Luke 24:5b-6a

III. I won't be afraid of forever!

“When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But he laid His right hand on me, saying, ‘Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.’” Vs. 17-18

“Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.” Hebrews 2:14-15

“When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: ‘Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?’” 1 Corinthians 15:54-55

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, all fear is gone. Because I know, He holds the future. My life is worth the living just because He lives!