

The Resurrection Hope

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Psalm 16

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Snapshot:

The resurrection of Jesus Christ gives us hope that we will never be abandoned.

- I. The resurrection gives us hope in God's protection.
(16:1, 2)
- II. The resurrection gives us hope for God's people.
(16:3, 4)
- III. The resurrection gives us hope in God's provision.
(16:5–8)
- IV. The resurrection gives us hope in God's promises.
(16:9, 10)
- V. The resurrection gives us hope in God's presence.
(16:11)

Connect

*What was one take away for you from this Easter season?
How will you keep that at the forefront of your mind this year?*

Study

Point 1: The resurrection gives us hope in God's protection. (16:1, 2)

READ Psalm 16:1, 2

1) How does the resurrection give us hope that we can find refuge in the Lord? How would you practically take refuge in the Lord? What does the Psalmist mean by "I have no good apart from you"? What are some things we try to find good in? Why do they come up short? How have you experienced the goodness of God?

Point 2: The resurrection gives us hope for God's people. (16:3, 4)

READ Psalm 16:3, 4

2) What contrasting picture do you get between 16:3 and 16:4? How have you experienced delight in the saints? What are some easy ways you can encourage the saints around you? How does delighting in the saints help you experience the resurrection?

Point 3: The resurrection gives us hope in God's provision. (16:5–8)

READ Psalm 16:5–8

3) What does David say the Lord provides him with in these verse? What does it mean for the Lord to be your "portion", "cup", "lot"? How do these verses describe what Jesus receives in His resurrection? What hope does this give us in our resurrection? What hope does this give us now? What would it look like for you to help someone else experience God's provision? How would this help them experience a portion of resurrected life?

Point 4: The resurrection gives us hope in God's promises (16:9, 10)

READ Psalm 16:9, 10

4) Take time to read Peter's sermon in Acts 2. What are the arguments he makes that David is actually talking about Jesus in these verses? Why is this so important? What hope does this give us in life and in death? How do the rest of the points in this sermon fall short if this one was not fulfilled?

Point 5: The resurrection gives us hope in God's presence (16:11)

READ Psalm 16:11

5) What aspects of God's presence do you see in these verses? How does the resurrection help you experience the path of life? the fullness of joy? pleasures forevermore? How could you help others experience these things?

Pray the passage

Spend time praying through Psalm 16 verse by verse. Take time to reflect on the resurrection of Jesus and how His resurrection allows you to experience that hope now and look forward to it in the future.

Memorize & Meditate

“The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.” (Psalm 16:5)

Preparing for next week

Read: Isaiah 26

Ask: questions of the text

Pray: through text, for the pastor as he prepares, for your heart to hear, for the congregation to hear, for all of us to be obedient.