

A MESSAGE ON THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST JESUS

"SINCE THE CHILDREN HAVE FLESH AND BLOOD, HE TOO SHARED IN THEIR HUMANITY SO THAT BY HIS DEATH HE MIGHT BREAK THE POWER OF HIM WHO HOLDS THE POWER OF DEATH—THAT IS, THE DEVIL—AND FREE THOSE WHO ALL THEIR LIVES WERE HELD IN SLAVERY BY THEIR FEAR OF DEATH." HEBREWS 2:14

- 1. THORNS SYMBOLIZE THE CURSE OF SIN.
- 2. THORNS ARE THE BELIEFS, ATTITUDE AND LIFESTYLE OF DISOBEDIENCE.
- 3. THORNS SUFFOCATE GOD'S GROWTH IN OUR LIVES.

#### "THEN PILATE TOOK JESUS AND HAD HIMFLOGGED. THE SOLDIERS TWISTED TOGETHER A CROWN OF THORNS AND PUT IT ON HIS HEAD. JOHN 19:1-2

"DEATH HAS BEEN SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY. WHERE, O DEATH, IS YOUR VICTORY? WHERE, O DEATH, IS YOUR STING?" THE STING OF DEATH IS SIN, AND THE POWER OF SIN IS THE LAW. BUT THANKS BE TO GOD! HE GIVES US THE VICTORY THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

THEREFORE, MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, STAND FIRM. LET NOTHING MOVE YOU. ALWAYS GIVE YOURSELVES FULLY TO THE WORK OF THE LORD, BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT YOUR LABOR IN THE LORD IS NOT IN VAIN. 1 CORINTHIANS 15:54-58

### STAND FIRM. BE FULLY DEVOTED. YOU WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

### CROWN OF THORNS = SUFFERING SERVANT CROWN OF GOLD = ROYAL CONQUERING KING

## "NOW THERE IS IN STORE FOR ME THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS..." 2 TIMOTHY 4:8

# "AND WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD APPEARS, YOU WILL RECEIVE THE CROWN OF GLORY THAT WILL NEVER FADE AWAY." 2 TIMOTHY 4:8