LOVE Overcomes March 31, 2024 Easter – Resurrection Life!

To help us ALL recognize, know, & experience the Love of God God's powerful love that overcomes; is victorious; conquers; never fails...

1 John 3:16a AMPC By this we come to know, progressively to recognize, to perceive, to understand <u>the essential love</u>: that He laid down His own life for us... (*Real love is Jesus on the cross.*)

John 13:1b AMP ...He *loved* them & continuously *loves* them w/ His perfect *love* to the end, eternally. (to show the full measure of His love)

Even when we don't reciprocate His love, His love remains.

Romans 8:35 TPT Who could ever separate us from the endless love of God's Anointed One? <u>Absolutely no one!</u> For nothing in the universe has the power to diminish His love toward us. Troubles, pressures, & problems are unable to come between us & heaven's love. What about persecutions, deprivations, dangers, & death threats? No, for they're all impotent to hinder omnipotent love... 37 Yet even in the midst of all these things, we triumph over them all, for God has made us to be more than conquerors, & His demonstrated love is our glorious victory over everything! 38 So now I live w/ the confidence that there's nothing in the universe w/ the power to separate us from God's love. I'm convinced that His love will triumph over death, life's troubles, fallen angels, or dark rulers in the heavens. There's nothing in our present or future circumstances that can weaken His love 39 There's no power above us or beneath us-no power that could ever be found in the universe that can distance us from God's passionate love which is lavished upon us through our Lord Jesus the Anointed One!

God's love is infinite, eternal, omnipotent, omnipresent, & boundless!

1 John 4:16 TPT We've come into an intimate experience w/ God's love, & we trust in the love He has for us. <u>God is love</u>! Those who are living <u>in love</u> are living in God, & God lives through them.17 By <u>living in God, love</u> has been brought to its <u>full expression in us</u> so that we may fearlessly face the day of judgment, because all that Jesus now is, so are we in this world.

The devil has no power over me because I'm grounded in God's love!

God's thoughts toward you are loving all the time!

God unconditionally loves you w/ all that He <u>is</u> & all that He <u>has</u>.

Because we know God loves us, we know He wants the best for us, only good for us, no harm to us.

Romans 5:5b ...we know how dearly God *loves* us, because He's given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts w/ *His love*. 6 When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time & died for us sinners. 7 Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who's especially good. 8 But God showed *His great love* for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. 9 Since we've been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, He'll certainly save us from God's condemnation. 10 Since our *friendship* w/ God was restored by the death of His Son while we were still His enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of His Son. 11 Now we can rejoice in our wonderful new *relationship* w/ God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us *friends* of God.

Because He first <u>loved</u> us, God selflessly gave us His Son Jesus.

Jesus was content to come & die for us. We're not a burden or a problem. When God thinks about us, He does so lovingly.

Matthew 28:1 Early Sunday morning, the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene & the other Mary went out to the tomb. Suddenly there was a great earthquake! An angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, & sat on it. 3 His face shone like lightning, & his clothing was as white as snow. 4 The guards shook w/ fear when they saw him, & they fell into a dead faint. 5 The angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I know you're looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He isn't here! He's risen from the dead! (HE'S ALIVE!!) just as He said would happen. Come, see where His body was lying. 7 Now, go quickly & tell His disciples He is risen from the dead... (to life)

Romans 4:25 He was handed over to die because of our sins, & He was *raised to life* to make us right w/ God.

The Cross looked like failure, but was the greatest act of love – it created the possibility of abundant life for you & me...

C.S. Lewis "Jesus didn't come to make bad people good. Jesus came to make dead people alive."

Romans 6:5 Since we've been united w/ Him in His death, we'll also be *raised to life* as He was. 6 We know that our old sinful selves were crucified w/ Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We're no longer slaves to sin. When we died w/ Christ we were <u>set free</u> from the power of sin. Since we died w/ Christ, we know we'll also <u>live</u> w/ Him. 9 We're sure of this because Christ was raised from the dead... 11 You also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin & <u>alive</u> to God through Jesus. 12 Don't let sin control the way you live; don't give in to sinful desires. 13 Don't let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but *now you have new life*.

Jesus gave His life so that we can experience God's Love manifested.

Ephesians 2:4 But God is so rich in mercy, & He loved us so much, 5 that even though <u>we were dead</u> because of our sins, <u>He gave us life</u> when He raised Christ from the dead. (It's only by God's grace that you've been saved!) 6 <u>He raised us</u> from the dead along w/ Christ & seated us w/ Him in the heavenly realms because we're united w/ Jesus.

Romans 8:10 TPT Christ <u>lives</u> His <u>life</u> in you! Even though your body may be dead because of the effects of sin, His <u>life-giving</u> Spirit imparts <u>life</u> to you because you're fully accepted by God 11 Yes, God raised Jesus to <u>life!</u> Since God's Spirit of Resurrection <u>lives</u> in you, He'll also raise your dying body to <u>life</u> by the same Spirit that breathes <u>life</u> into you!

Response time

1 Peter 1:3 GNT Let's give thanks to the God & Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! Because of His great mercy <u>He gave us new life</u> by raising Jesus from death. This fills us w/ a *living hope...*

*God has given you His Resurrection Life & Power to raise your dead soul, marriage, children, health, finances, to raise your dreams...

*You may feel like your usefulness is dead; God is stirring hope in you today. *As long as you have breath, God has life for you here!* Your best days are ahead!

<u>Let's pray right now</u> that God is bringing <u>new life</u> & power to you...

Resurrection Sunday prayer & blessing for you & your family:

"In the name of Jesus, I pray that every one of you...

Ephesians 3:17 TPT by constantly using your faith, the life of Christ will be released deep inside you, & the resting place of His love will become the very source & root of your life. 18 Then you'll be empowered to discover what every holy one experiences, the great magnitude of the astonishing love of Christ in all its dimensions. How deeply intimate & far-reaching is His love! How enduring & inclusive it is! Endless love beyond measurement that transcends our understanding, this extravagant love pours into you until you're filled to overflowing w/ the fullness of God!

SALVATION PRAYER

Some of you feel far from God...or you've walked away from God; you don't know where you are. But you're feeling drawn to Jesus...

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

I want to encourage you to give your life to Him. If you're ready to submit your life to Jesus & accept His life today - I want to pray for you to receive the new hope that Jesus has for you. Or you say, "I'm ready to come back to You Jesus" I want you to say right now, "Count me in!"

Would you dare to believe in God's love for you? That Jesus died for you because He loves you. Dare to trust in His love, for eternal life.

If you'd like to accepted Jesus as your Lord, say this:

Father God, thank You for loving me, & giving me Your Son Jesus. I believe, Jesus is my Lord, & that He died & rose for me. I repent of my sin & I surrender all. Now I receive Your resurrection life, in Jesus' name, Amen.