EASTER April 17, 2022 Resurrection Life!

John 10:10 The thief's purpose is to steal & kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a <u>rich & satisfying life.</u> (an Abundant Life!)

"We have His abundant life because of His payment on the cross."

John 11:25 ... "I am the resurrection & <u>the life</u>. Anyone who believes in Me <u>will live</u>, even after dying.

Jesus died for us to receive eternal life

Ephesians 1:19 I pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of *God's power for us* who believe Him. This is the same mighty power 20 that raised Christ from the dead...

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.

Romans 6:5 TPT Since we're permanently grafted into Him to experience a death like His, then we're permanently grafted into Him to experience a <u>resurrection</u> like His & the new <u>life</u> that it imparts. Could it be any clearer, that our former identity is now & forever deprived of its power? We were co-crucified w/ Him to dismantle the stronghold of sin w/in us, so that we

would not continue to live a moment longer submitted to sin's power. 7 Obviously a dead person is incapable of sinning 8 If we're co-crucified w/ the Anointed One, we know that we'll share in the fullness of His life. 9 We know since the Anointed One's been raised from the dead to die no more; His resurrection <u>life</u> has vanquished death & its power over Him is finished 10 By His sacrifice He died to sin's power once & for all, but He now <u>lives</u> continuously for the Father's pleasure. 11 Let it be the same way w/ you!

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!

Romans 8:15 MSG This <u>resurrection life</u> you received from God isn't a timid, <u>grave-tending life</u>. It is adventurously expectant...

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Ephesians 2:5 TPT Even when we were dead & doomed in our many sins, *He united us into the very life* of Christ & saved us by His wonderful grace! 6 He raised us up w/ Christ the exalted One, we ascended w/ Him into the glorious perfection & authority of the heavenly realm, for we're now co-seated as one w/ Christ! 7 Throughout the coming ages we'll be the visible display of the infinite riches of His grace & kindness, which was showered upon us in Jesus Christ. 8 For by grace you have been saved *(given new life)* by faith. Nothing you did could ever earn this salvation, for it was the love gift from God that brought us to Christ!

1 Peter 1:3 AMP Blessed, gratefully praised & adored be the God & Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant & boundless mercy has caused us to be born again (new life) [that is, to be reborn from above-spiritually transformed, renewed, & set apart for His purpose] to an ever-living hope & confident assurance through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 born anew into an inheritance which is imperishable...

Response time - Why this matters

- *God has given you His Life/Spirit/Power that conquered the grave...
- *Resurrection life & power to raise your dead soul, your marriage, your children, your health, your finances, to raise your dreams...
- *Do you remember the dream/mission that was in your heart; the life you used to dream about? God wants to raise up some dead dreams today.
- *You may feel like you've made some wrong decisions & been distracted & now you feel like you've been passed over in your life...
- *You may feel like your usefulness is dead; I believe God is stirring hope in you today. The Lord still has life for you. Your best days are ahead! *God's resurrection power is raising some families & marriages today.

As long as you have breath, God has life for you here.

Let's pray that God is bringing <u>new life</u> into your vision, dream, marriage, business, children, health/body, & finances. *PRAY*...

*SALVATION PRAYER

Some of you feel far from God. Or you've walked away from God, you don't even know where you are. But you're feeling drawn to Jesus today.

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!"

Today Father, I believe, Jesus is Lord, Lord Jesus, come into my life, make me a new person, give me peace in my heart, fill me w/ Your Spirit, I receive Your Resurrection Life, in Jesus name, Amen.

Community Groups Wednesdays @ 6:30 Sunday Services @ 9:30am & 11:30 - "All This Matters"