



# Crosspoint Church

## AfterWords

Weekly Study: The Power of the Resurrection



### Overview

This week's study calls us to step into the power of the Resurrection, a power that saves, makes us new, breaks chains, and fills us with boldness. The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead is alive and active in us today. The Resurrection is not just a moment in history but a present power we are invited to walk in as believers. Romans 6:4–8 declares that through Christ, our old life is buried, sin's power is broken, and we rise to "walk in newness of life." Philippians reminds us that knowing Jesus includes knowing "the power of His resurrection," a power that transforms us, frees us, and conforms us to His life.



### Scripture

*Paraphrased 1 Thessalonians 4:16–17: "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout... And the dead in Christ will rise first." Romans 10:9: Salvation through confessing and believing in the risen Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:17: Becoming a new creation in Christ. Romans 6:4, 6: Buried with Christ in baptism; no longer slaves to sin.*



### Key Points

#### The Resurrection Has Power to SAVE

- **Salvation is anchored in the resurrection.** If Jesus didn't rise, we would still be in our sin, death would still have the final word and hell would not be defeated, but because He got up, salvation was unlocked and made available to all who believe.
- **Jesus doesn't shout instructions from the shore...He jumps in and rescues.** Salvation is not self-improvement; it is divine rescue. Jesus stepped into our lives and pulled us and made a way.

#### The Resurrection Has Power to MAKE YOU NEW

- **Jesus doesn't renovate the old life; He resurrects a new one.** "Not patched up, not improved a little bit, He makes you NEW." 2 Cor. 5:17 states, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new".
- **Transformation happens from the inside out.** Trying harder couldn't change you, but surrendering to Jesus did. He gives new desires, new identity, new strength, and new purpose.

## The Resurrection Has Power to **BREAK CHAINS**

- **Sin no longer owns you.** Romans 6 declares we are “no longer slaves to sin.” Addiction, fear, shame, and past failures lose their authority because resurrection power lives in you.
- **What couldn't hold Jesus can't hold you.** *“If the grave couldn't hold Jesus, then what makes the enemy think it can hold you?”* Every chain must bow to resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

## The Resurrection Has Power to **MAKE YOU BOLD**

- **The disciples moved from hiding to proclaiming.** After encountering the risen Jesus, fear fled. They preached publicly with conviction because they knew the grave was empty and the Savior was alive.
- **Resurrection power produces public faith.** For example, baptism is bold declaration, *“I'm not ashamed of the gospel... I belong to Jesus!”* Resurrection turns silence into witness. Something rises up inside that says: “I don't care who knows-Jesus changed my life!”



## Reflection



Where do I need to let Jesus help me “shake off the grave clothes” in my life?



Which resurrection power (saving, freeing, or boldness) do I need most right now?



How can I be bold and show others that Jesus has changed me?



## Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for the resurrection power that saves me, transforms me, frees me, and emboldens me. Help me walk like someone who carries the same Spirit that raised You from the dead. Let every old thing in me stay buried, every chain be broken, and every step I take be marked by bold faith. Make my life a living testimony to everyone that You are alive in me. Amen.

R e f l e c t . A p p l y . G r o w .