

# **Sermon Notes**

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### "Why Is Easter Such Good News?"

1 Peter 1:3

**Introduction:** Do you know why Easter is the greatest event ever? Because it proved who Jesus said that He was. Easter is such good news through the hope we have thanks to Christ's resurrection.

### 1. We Can Know God's Purpose

- a. God never made anything he didn't have a purpose for.
  - i. Light, the earth, the animals, humans, etc. Everything God creates has a purpose.
- b. Ephesians 2:10
- c. You can't make much sense of your life without God.
- d. God knew you before you were born.
- e. Jeremiah 29:11
- f. How do you discover the purpose of your life (3 alternatives)?
  - i. Consult a human expert
  - ii. Look within (ex. books)
  - iii. Only place is to look to God
- g. Discover who you are and whose you are.

i. You were made by God and were made for God.

#### 2. You Need God's Power To Live On

- a. Life can be tough. It takes power to live on.
- b. When you have a purpose to live for, it takes power to live it.
- c. God has all the power you will ever need. We see it throughout the Bible.
  - i. Healed the sick Jesus has power over sickness.
  - ii. Raised the dead Jesus has power over death.
  - iii. Calmed the storm Jesus has power over nature.
  - iv. Raised himself up from the dead Jesus has the power of God.
- d. Romans 8:11
- e. The same power that did all those things can bring you life and into a relationship with God forever.
- f. God promises greater things for us.
  - i. Philippians 4:13
  - ii. Colossians 1:11
  - iii. Isaiah 40:31
  - iv. Isaiah 41:10
- g. How do you get that power? A personal relationship with Jesus.
  - i. That is what Easter is all about.

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