

Sermon Notes:
The Power of the Resurrection
April 3, 4 2021

Matthew 28.1-10

1. The Resurrection was the birth of the Church

Believers were serving a living Christ, who is still alive.

“Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.” (Matthew 16:16–20, NIV)

2, The Resurrection killed death.

“But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.” (1 Corinthians 15:12–20, NIV)

3. The Resurrection purchased our new life

“We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—because anyone who has died has been set free from sin.” (Romans 6:4–7, NIV)

4. The Resurrection Proves our God is alive

-Jesus is risen

“I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.” (Revelation 1:18, NIV)

5. The Resurrection Displays the Love of the Father

“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5.8

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,” (1 Peter 1:3, NIV)

Sermon Discussion Questions
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Easter Weekend April 3, 4 2021

For continued Study, Contemplation, and Bible study for Families or Groups

1. What are your Easter/Spring Break plans?

2. Read Matthew 28.1-10. Observe the events that led up to the tomb being discovered

3. Read Matthew 12.40 and Matthew 16.21

What do these verses teach?

4. Pastor said the power of the resurrection killed Death. Because of Jesus rising from the dead, we will never die. What do you know about Heaven? What do you think it will be like

(See 1 Corinthians 15.12-20)

5. The power of the resurrection also sealed that Jesus is the Messiah and can save us.

How do we live for Jesus, in light of His resurrection? How does Jesus being alive help us live for him on this earth?

6. The Power of the Resurrection show how much God Loves us.

Read John 3.16

Read Romans 5.8

Share how you feel the love of God through being saved or daily living in His love?

7. Read 1 Peter 1.3.

How great is His mercy?

What does Peter mean by "living hope"?

Close in prayer committing to live a life, alive in Jesus, because He is alive.

Thank Him for the power of the Resurrection and all that it means to you.