

THE RESURRECTION AND LIFE



PASTOR'S NOTES – EASTER SUNDAY 4. 16. 2017

Superior Life in Christ –

His Finished Resurrection Work. This Unfinished Life.

JOHN 11; JOHN 20; I CORINTHIANS 15

HAPPY RESURRECTION SUNDAY!

THIS WEEK'S OVERLYING PRINCIPLES

- ***DEATH is SIGNIFICANT but No Longer VICTORIOUS.***
- ***Jesus is moved firstly and foremost by the will of God. - Jesus on earth is an emotionally charged person He shows loyalty, true friendship and heartbreak.***

- ***When Jesus claims, “I Am The Resurrection and the Life...” He is proclaiming His Deity and Equality with Father God as well as His future atoning actions at the cross and in the resurrection.***
- ***Jesus always meets us where we are at, in the life we now live – not just in some future, far-off eternity.***
- ***In resurrection (Romans 6) like Lazarus, we too find newness of LIFE – freedom from sin and a transformed life.***

- ***Jesus calls us to a Newness, a Resurrection, a Walk in Divine Power.***

Empowered in Resurrection – Enabled for LIFE

I. Expectations of DEATH.

- ***Death is Significant, But not Sovereign***
- ***Death is Imminent, But not on its own TIME***

II. Expectations of LIFE

- ***Building Hope From Despair***
- ***The Finished Works of Christ – Our Foundation***

III. The Here & Now

- ***The Unfinished Transformation – Our Delight***
- ***Life Eternal Begins Today***

GOD'S UNFINISHED WORK IN ME:

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. What did you learn about God in this passage?**
 - 2. What did you learn about yourself in this passage?**
 - 3. In what ways does Jesus' response to Lazarus' sickness surprise you? What questions would you have for Jesus at that moment?**
 - 4. What does it mean to you when Jesus says, “I Am the Resurrection and the Life”?**
 - 5. What are the unfinished works of Christ? In what ways is Christ unfinished in His work with you?**
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