

GOOD MORNING

An Easter Sermon



1 Corinthians 15:3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, v4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, v5 and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. v6 After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. v7 After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. v8 Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.

Ephesians 1:18-20 (LB) "I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can see something of the future he has called you to share... I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great his power is to help those who believe him. It is that same might power that raised Christ from the dead".

WHAT IS THIS POWER THAT CALLS OUT TO US?

1. THE POWER TO _____ US:

By defeating the power of sin and shame.

Romans 3:23-24 (NIV) "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

"For HE is faithful and just to forgive us of ALL unrighteousness."

Jesus says "Come to me all who are weary, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you... my yoke is easy... my burden is light."

WHAT IS THIS POWER THAT CALLS OUT TO US?

2. THE POWER TO _____ US:

By defeating the power of evil once and for all.

1 Peter 5:10 (NLT) In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation.

3. THE POWER TO _____ US:

Eternity.

Hebrews 2:14-15 (NIV) Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

1 Corinthians 15:22 "Where, oh death, is your sting?"

John 3:5 Jesus said: Truly, truly I say to you: you must be born again.