

Resurrection Sunday

April 8 & 9, 2023

Why?

Do you know why?

Why did God show up in the flesh?

Why did He die on the cross?

Why did He rise again?

Because a debt is owed.

“Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.” Hebrews 9:22 (ESV)

“God is a righteous judge ... ” Psalm 7:11 (NIV)

“He gave His life to pay for our sins.” 1 John 2:2 (NIRV)

Because of His love.

*“For God so **loved** the world that **He gave** His one and only Son, that whoever **believes** in Him shall not **perish** but have eternal **life**.” John 3:16 (NIV)*

Because what He wants for you is life!

“So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.” Romans 8:6 (NLT)

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” John 10:10 (NIV)

How’s your bread working for you?

*“But don’t be so concerned about **perishable** things like food. Spend your energy seeking the **eternal life** that the Son of Man can give you.” John 6:27 (NLT)*

*“³²[God] offers you the true bread from heaven. ³⁴‘Sir,’ they said, ‘give us that bread every day.’ ³⁵Jesus replied, ‘**I am the bread of life**. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again.’” John 6:32,34-35 (NLT)*

*“This is the only work God wants from you: **Believe** in the one He has sent.” John 6:29 (NLT)*

Believe = Pisteuō = to believe to the extent of complete trust and reliance, to believe in, to have confidence in, to have faith in, to trust.

Different people listening:

Skeptic

Indifferent

“Our greatest fear should not be of failure but of succeeding at things in life that don't really matter.” -Francis Chan

Interested

Believer

*“³All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by His great mercy that we have been born again, **because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead**. Now we live with great expectation, ⁴and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.” 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NLT)*

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