

THE RESURRECTION

PRECEPT

Philippians 3:10

¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

PROMISE

It was Jesus's resurrection that changed everything. On Friday, Jesus experienced unimaginable pain and suffering—physical, Emotional, Relational, Psychological, Social, and Spiritual—but he knew hope and victory would come after three days. On Saturday, His disciples experienced a profound sense of loss and confusion as they witnessed Jesus die on the cross. Their hope died with Him; little did they know that was not the end of the story because Jesus had risen. He is alive. Today is the day of hope and victory — because Jesus has risen.

IT VALIDATES EVERYTHING JESUS SAID AND DID. Jesus has risen. He is alive. That means that his words and promises are true; Jesus promised in Hebrews 13:5, "I will never leave, I will never fail you, I will never abandon you." His death did pay for our sins. Jesus said on the cross, "It is finished." (John 19:30). The resurrection is the receipt, the proof that the payment cleared. Romans 1:4 says, "He was shown to be the Son of God when He was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord." Jesus is not just a good teacher or a prophet—He is the Lord over life and death.

IT MEANS JESUS IS ALIVE AND STILL WORKING IN MY LIFE. Romans 8:34 tells us, "Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to live for us, and He is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand and is also interceding for us." The resurrection shows that Jesus is not just a figure from the past. He walks with us in suffering, in the season of pain and suffering, Jesus is with you, and He will help and deliver you because He is alive. The resurrection is not just a theological concept; it gives way to a relationship with Jesus because Jesus lives, walks, speaks, prays for us, and dwells within us.

IT GIVE HOPE FOR TOMORROW. The resurrection of Jesus becomes a lifeline of hope. John 14:19 says, "Because I live, you also will live." It's no longer what happened then but about the hope we have for tomorrow. This means your story doesn't end in brokenness but it means that no matter what happens today, we have a tomorrow.

IT OFFERS A FRESH START. The Resurrection of Jesus offers you a fresh start. If you are carrying the weight of guilt, shame, or regret, the resurrection of Jesus speaks a life-giving word: You can rise too. Romans 6:4 tells us, "Just as Christ was raised from the dead... we too may live a new life." It's not just that Jesus conquered the grave, he also invites you to step out of your graves.

PRACTICE

1. Resurrection. What gives you hope for tomorrow?

2. Resurrection Power. Has the resurrection changed you? Will you accept the offer of a fresh start? And how can we encourage and pray for you regarding this?

PRAYER

I. Faith

- In moments and doubts, let us be reminded of His promises.

II. World

- Pray that God free our world from conflict and bring unity to all nations.

III. Healing

- Pray for God to bring comfort and strength to those who are suffering and sick.

IV. Unity

- May God's love bind us us all, fostering understanding among us.

V. Gospel

- May God empower us to live out His truth and spread the word to all nations.

VI. Giving

- May we selflessly and sacrificially give to those underprivilege and in need.

VII. Strength

- Pray that He may grant us strength to overcome obstacles.