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BECAUSE HE LIVES

1 PETER 1:3; JOHN 14:19

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**1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,
To God's
elect, exiles scattered throughout
the provinces of
Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia
and Bithynia,
2 who have been chosen according
to the foreknowledge of God the
Father, through the sanctifying work
of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus
Christ and sprinkled with his blood:**

1 Peter 1:1-4



Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Praise to God for a Living Hope

3 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,

4 and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you,



1 Peter 1:1-4



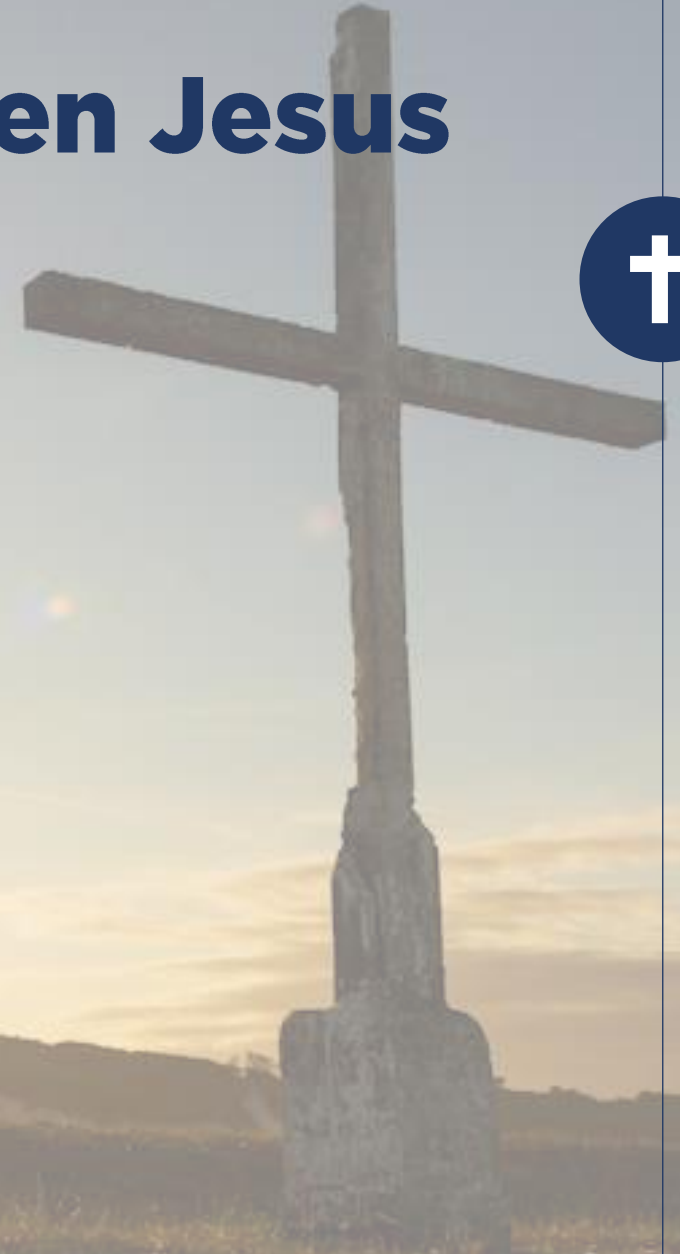


Bereavement of a loved one could lead to sorrow, pain and grief.

How did the disciples feel when Jesus died and was buried?

All hope was gone...

The death of Christ created lots of dashed hope for the disciples, but His resurrection brought joy and hope alive.



The After the resurrection, when Mary Magdalene told the disciples that Jesus was alive, it was written,

"She went and told those who had been with him and who were mourning and weeping.

Mark 16:10

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

John 20:19





Peter's emphasis in 1 Peter 1:1-4 is that our hope should be on CHRIST ALONE - not on things that can PERISH.

We can't put our hope on money, cars, beauty, our spouse, etc. - none of these can stand the test of time. Our Anchor should be on the RESSURECTED Christ alone.

THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

1. You will live again:

The Farewell message of Christ on the Eve of his arrest towards the last supper.

John 14:1-3 NIV

1 Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.

2 My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.



THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

1. You will live again:

The Farewell message of Christ on the Eve of his arrest towards the last supper.

John 14:19 NIV

19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.



THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

2. We are Dead to sin and Alive unto God.

Romans 6:8-11 NIV

8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

9 For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him.

10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

11 In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.



THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

2. We are Dead to sin and Alive unto God.

2 Corinthians 5:15 NIV

15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.



THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

3. He makes Intercession for us.



Romans 8:34 NIV

34 Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Hebrews 7:25 NIV

25 Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

4. Christ becomes our lives.

Colossians 3:3-4 NIV

3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.

4 When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

John 20:17 NIV

17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"



THE FIVE "BECAUSE HE LIVES" OF CHRIST

5. He holds Pre-eminence in our life – He is the First and the Last



Revelation 1:17-18 NIV

17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last.

18 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



As we celebrate the resurrection of Christ today, know for sure that Christ is the centre of our lives, He is the life-giving spirit. Every child of God that dies, have the hope of eternal life in Christ Jesus. There is nothing that can give us joy as an expression of life outside Christ.

Conclusion

17 On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days.

18 Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem,

19 and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother.

20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

21 “Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died.



**John
11:17-25
NIV**

22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.”

23 Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”

24 Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.”

25 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;



**John
11:17-25
NIV**



Pray with us

For “whoever calls on
the name of the Lord
shall be saved.”

ROMANS 10:13

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