

If Jesus rose for us...

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Mercy Road Church

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Welcome to Easter Sunday at Mercy Road Church! We're so glad to worship our Savior with you. Today we celebrate the historic event known as the Resurrection. Specifically, we will consider four implications of this history-shaping event.

"Belief or nonbelief in the resurrection is never merely an intellectual process. We are not computers. We are flesh-and-blood human beings, and when we confront the claim of the resurrection, we address it not only with logic but with a lifetime of hopes and fears and preexisting faith commitments. And we will never be able to accept it until we see our need for God's grace." - Tim Keller

If it is true, that Jesus Christ rose from the dead for me:

1) I'm no longer stuck in sin.

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

- Romans 8:11

2) I'm not in charge, Jesus is.

And Jesus said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

- Matthew 28:18

3) Suffering won't destroy me.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. - Romans 8:28

4) I'm no longer afraid of Death.

Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. -Jesus (John 14:19)