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Dear Beloved of the Lord,

We greet you with great joy and thanksgiving in this season of celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

"...He ever liveth to make intercession for us."

Hebrews 7:25

Christianity is Christ and Christ is Christianity. We serve a Risen Savior who is ever alive and seated at the right hand of God. The essence of the Word of God is to bring us to this new life in Christ Jesus. He is God Almighty, the Son of God who put on flesh and gave His life to redeem our lives from the power of sin and death. He also gives us new life which is the eternal life of God's love.

Therefore true Christianity is not bound to religious orders and rituals nor hidden mysteries. It is the embrace of a loving God and the uplifting power of His grace to everyone that calls upon Him in spirit and in truth. That is to forsake all the things that are not of Christ or His Word, but to fully embrace all that He is and all that His Word declares. You cannot serve two masters; you cannot serve God and mammon.

The true cry of the early church was, 'Christ is Risen, Truly He is Risen! And our lives are Risen with Him!' The curse against us is broken and the bondage of sin is destroyed in the Name of Jesus. He has breathed into us the spirit of eternal life and the oncoming joy of eternal glory forever more with the King of Glory, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever.



"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE"

John 11:25

Let us prepare our hearts at this time of the celebration of the Resurrection Day of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ! Let us put away every work and word, thought and deed that is not right before Him. Let us ask the Lord to give us strength to pursue and to strive towards the things that are pleasing to Him – things that would be a blessing to us and through us because of Him.

Let us take time, in meditation and prayer with the seeking God's face and the wonders of His grace as we look into His word and allow the Holy Spirit to touch our inner most man. Let us allow Him to fill us anew and refresh us again with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, the power of His love.

Therefore, let us not waste our time with things that come in to try to steal our joy or place our minds on negativity as well as futile actions that lead down a road to nowhere. Let us cast aside the stones of anger and hate, jealousy and pride – let us put on Jesus who makes us free! Therefore truly we are free indeed.

While we celebrate Resurrection Sunday but once a year, it is in fact meant to be celebrated in the life of the believer every day. With thanksgiving and praise, with worship and adoration, we should spend each day dedication a special amount of time giving God the glory making a joyful noise unto our God!

There will always be challenges and circumstances and hurts and pains bigger than ourselves, they try to overwhelm us by oppressing and depressing our humanly souls. Stifling and put at naught the very purpose of our being. Jesus said, "In the world you will have tribulation but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Take time and reach out to the people that you know: your family and friends, and anticipate the people you are yet to meet and let the Gospel written on your heart be the reflection of light that reaches them. That they also may embrace eternal life, eternal joy, and eternal love that is found only in our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please, remember our church in your prayers as we have ongoing various uncertainties of work in regards to codes and standards that the city of Los Angeles is posting upon us. We know the Lord has called us and will fulfill His Word in regards to His work through us. Therefore, we pray God's covering over us – that we may stand strong and do well in His victory.

Have a blessed Resurrection Sunday!

In His Love,

**Pastor Eddie**