

I AM THE RESURRECTION

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y said, "for this is what the prophet spoke of and you, O Bethlehem, least among the rulers of Judah, you will come from you or my people Israel. Then he told them to be careful for the coming of the Son of Man. Then he told them to come back and tell the king, 'The king of the Jews has been born here.' After this interview the wise men went their way. And at that time Herod the king sent his soldiers to kill all the boys who were two years old and under in that region. When Herod heard that the wise men had returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned him in a dream, he did not go to Egypt. This was fulfilled what the Lord had spoken through the prophet: "I called."

John 11:17-44 (NLT) ¹⁷When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he was told that Lazarus had already been in his grave for four days. ¹⁸Bethany was only a few miles down the road from Jerusalem, ¹⁹and many of the people had come to console Martha and Mary in their loss. ²⁰When Martha got word that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him. But Mary stayed in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask." ²³Jesus told her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴"Yes," Martha said, "he will rise when everyone else rises, at the last day." ²⁵Jesus told her, **"I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. ²⁶Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die.** Do you believe this, Martha?" ²⁷"Yes, Lord," she told him. "I have always believed you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who has come into the world from God." ²⁸Then she returned to Mary. She called Mary aside from the mourners and told her, "The Teacher is here and wants to see you." ²⁹So Mary immediately went to him. ³⁰Jesus had stayed outside the village, at the place where Martha met him. ³¹When the people who were at the house consoling Mary saw her leave so hastily, they assumed she was going to Lazarus's grave to weep. So they followed her there. ³²When Mary arrived and saw Jesus, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping and saw the other people wailing with her, a **deep anger** welled up within him, and he was **deeply troubled**. ³⁴"Where have you put him?" he asked them. They told him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Then **Jesus wept**. ³⁶The people who were standing nearby said, "See how much he loved him!" ³⁷But some said, "This man healed a blind man. Couldn't he have kept Lazarus from dying?" ³⁸Jesus was still angry as he arrived at the tomb, a cave with a stone rolled across its entrance. ³⁹"Roll the stone aside," Jesus told them. But Martha, the dead man's sister, protested, "Lord, he has been dead for four days. The smell will be terrible." ⁴⁰Jesus responded, **"Didn't I tell you that you would see God's glory if you believe?"** ⁴¹So they rolled the stone aside. Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, thank you for hearing me. ⁴²You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so that they will believe you sent me." ⁴³Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!"

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- John 11:25-26

Four Biblical Truths:

1) Jesus _____ about us when we face difficult times in life and He wants to redeem those times for God's glory.

- See John 11:33-35, John 16:33, John 11:4, and John 11:38-40

***Jesus knows what you are facing today
and He cares about you!***

***Jesus will redeem for good whatever you face today
if you will choose to believe He can do it.***

2) Jesus' _____ proves that Jesus has power over all things we face in our lives.

- See Romans 6:5-11

***Jesus not only wants to help you, but He has
proven through His death and resurrection
that He has the power to help you.***



John 16:33 (NLT) ³³I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."

John 11:4 (NLT) ⁴But when Jesus heard about it he said, "Lazarus's sickness will not end in death. No, it happened for the glory of God so that the Son of God will receive glory from this."

Romans 6:5-11 (NLT) ⁵Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised to life as he was. ⁶We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. ⁷For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin. ⁸And since we died with Christ, we know we will also live with him. ⁹We are sure of this because Christ was raised from the dead, and he will never die again. Death no longer has any power over him. ¹⁰When he died, he died once to break the power of sin. But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God. ¹¹So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.

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John 3:16 (NLT) ¹⁶For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

Romans 10:9-10 (NLT) ⁹If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.

John 10:10b (NIV) ¹⁰...I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:10b (NLT) ¹⁰...My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

For more information about what it means to become a follower of Christ or what to do after you make a decision to follow Jesus, speak to one of the pastors or elders following the service today (they can be found by the prayer room in the church lobby) or contact the church office at 717-762-7147 to set up an appointment. You may also request materials and find additional information to help you on your spiritual journey on our website:

www.otterbeinchurch.org

3) Death is a _____
_____ with Jesus for those who have chosen to believe.

- See John 11:25-26, John 3:16, Romans 10:9-10

Choosing to believe Jesus is the key to how you live your life and where you will spend your eternity.

Have you made the choice to believe Jesus?

4) A choice to believe in Jesus not only impacts our eternal life, but it also provides a _____
on this earth.

- See John 10:10

*What do you need to do
in response to today's message?*

A Sample Prayer...

Jesus, today I am choosing to believe you. I need your forgiveness of my sins. I believe you died for my sins and three days later you rose from the dead. I want to follow you from this day forward. I choose to believe that your plan for my life is the best plan for my life. Thank you for your forgiveness of my sins. Thank you that I can spend my eternal life with you in heaven. I love you. Amen.

If you made a choice to believe Jesus today, we would like to encourage you and help you take the next step in your journey with Jesus. We encourage you to...

- ✓ Stop by the Prayer Room (by the World Map) in the lobby following the service and a pastor/elder will talk with you and provide more information.
- ✓ Send Pastor Mike an email at mike@otterbeinchurch.org or call him at 717-762-7147 x223 and let him know you made a decision to believe Jesus.
- ✓ Go to the website www.otterbeinchurch.org and click on the Beginning Your Journey link for more information.

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2) Jesus' power over death proves that Jesus has power over all things we face in our lives.

Jesus not only wants to help you, but He has proven through His death and resurrection that He has the power to help you.

3) Death is a passageway into eternal life with Jesus for those who have chosen to believe.

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“For God loved the world so much that He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.” - John 3:16

“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.” - Romans 10:9-10

4) A choice to believe in Jesus not only impacts our eternal life, but it also provides a different kind of life on this earth.

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and have it to the full.”**

- John 10:10b (NIV)

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