

Kingdom Vision

Seek First His Kingdom

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The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here;

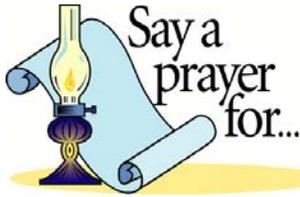
HE has RISEN

just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

Matthew 28:5-6

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Cletus Green is in Freeman-West suffering from pneumonia and dehydration. Donnis Luck suffered a fall and is in Olathe Medical Center. Remember Dawn Dabbs, Denny Kruse, Judy Roark, Clyde Hopper, Brian Deckman, Phyllis Collinworth, Johnnie Douglas, Garry Naylor, Nolan Edmondson, Ralph Cope, Helen Elder, Rachel Pyron, Don Johnston, and Bruce Bowers.

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Easter was never meant to be a one time act that we only remember once a year. Jesus' resurrection is a perpetual act of celebration of the victory of God's Kingdom over the worldly kingdoms that have long fought against His. The greatest of these enemies being death, which arrived as a result of the first fight against God's Kingdom, sin. This is why Paul celebrates this defeat so boldly in 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57

“Death is swallowed up in victory’ ‘O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?’ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!”

Neither was the resurrection meant to only assure us of hope in eternal life, in which we wait in some gloomy perpetual act of contrition as if dragging our sins along with us until they are finally forgiven. Resurrection means sins are forgiven now. Jesus died once and for all. There is life after death, but Easter speaks of a life that is neither ghostly nor unreal, but solid and practical and very definite.

This is why the Gospel messages all end with a mission. They are all asking, “He is risen, what are you going to do because of this truth?” And the Gospels all tell us to seek the Kingdom of God by following Jesus and talking about Him... now. This is an announcement to the world that a new way of life has been opened, it is available now! As N.T. Wright states in his book, Simply Jesus:

“Now there is a completely different way to live, a way of love and reconciliation and healing and hope. It's a way nobody's ever tried before, a way that is as unthinkable to most human beings and societies as – well, as resurrection itself. Precisely. That's the point. Welcome to Jesus' new world! There is a love, a deep moving warmth that goes out from Jesus. But this love is strong, powerful, life-changing, life-directing. New creation has begun; and it's motivating power is love.”

Tye



Happy Easter Everyone! Although some of our traditions have had to change this year, I think we get to celebrate something special for Easter 2020. I believe we have been given a chance to truly focus on what this most important holiday is all about in the mandated wellness break. I pray you are able to find some quiet time and reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on Friday and then His triumphant resurrection this Sunday and what it means to you. HINT: It means EVERYTHING if we choose to follow HIM! May God bless us in this stillness that He has given the whole world this Easter.

Teen Bible Class - Every Sunday at 11:30am on ZOOM

Virtual Youth Group - Every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30pm on ZOOM



When: Join us on Facebook LIVE on Easter Sunday, April 12, at 4:00pm

The Objective: Be the Family Team that scores the most points!

How to play:

1. The challenges will be issued to viewers via Facebook Live @rocketdyneroad
2. Each challenge has a certain point value.
3. Families must send a photo (or video) to a certain phone number that shows them completing the challenge. The phone number to text will be given to families after they successfully sign up.
4. A scorekeeper in the broadcast room will keep tally!

How to Join:

1. Register your family by Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm (it's free & will take 15 seconds!) You Can Click Here: [Scavenger Hunt Registration Form](#)
2. Make sure you have a Facebook account and are following Rocketdyne Road Church of Christ (@rocketdyneroad) for instant notifications.
3. Make sure you have a SECOND device that can send photo text messages.
4. That's it! (Bonus Points awarded for team uniforms...the crazier, the better!)

If you have any questions, contact Zac or Jenn Erisman.

Be creative!!! And have FUN!!!