

Hope of Easter: Present

Introduction

What was the mood of the disciples after the death of Jesus?

Why was it this way?

Because they had no hope, then comes Sunday.

1 Peter 1:3-9

- I. The resurrection is all about _____.
 - a. The resurrection of Jesus started something special.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:3.
 - ii. New birth becomes a possibility.
 - b. A living hope.
 - c. Where does hope come from?
 - d. Christians don't just have hope, we have hope that endures.
- II. The resurrection is all about _____.
 - a. We are reminded that through God's power, the _____ is yet to come.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:4.
 - ii. 1 Pet. 1:5.
 - iii. God's business is creating new life, even out of death.
 - b. We can have _____ in even the most difficult of circumstances because of the promises of God.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:6.
 - ii. 1 Pet. 1:7.
 - iii. They prove that our faith is genuine.
 - iv. They bring glory to God.
 - c. We don't _____ yet. . .
 - i. Our perspective is limited and our faith is incomplete.
 1. Almost all of us would like more answers.
 2. 1 Pet. 1:8-9.
 3. Heb. 11:1.
 - ii. Peter had the advantage of seeing Jesus.
 1. We do not have this advantage, so Peter says we must "faith it."
 2. 2 Cor. 5:7.

Conclusion

"Up from the grave he arose, with a mighty triumph over his foes, he arose a victor over the dark domain and he lives forever with his saints to raise."

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CHURCH of CHRIST

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Sunday Worship (10:00 & 4:00)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Ministers:

Doug Austin & Michael Nelson

Elders:

Davis Bennett - Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Jerry McCormack

Lee Rogers - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

Lee Rogers

OUR MISSION

*To seek and save the lost through
evangelism, benevolence, and edification.*
-Luke 19:10

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The Encourager

Country Club Road Church of Christ

Worship Order – March 28, 2021

Welcome: Joe Bergman

Song Leader: Wayne Fenter

Songs: 63 – Come, Thou Almighty King

703 – Jesus Is Coming Soon

302 – In Christ Alone

326 – There Is a Fountain

Communion Thought: Tom Moody

Song: 835 – When He Comes in Glory By and By

Sermon: Doug Austin – “The Hope of Easter: Present”

Song: 339 – Low in the Grave He Lay

Invitation Song: 292 – Into My Heart

Closing Song: 806 – I'll Live in Glory

Closing Prayer: Dale English

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Prayer Requests

- o **Leah Williams** had her second chemo treatment on Tuesday. She will have her pump removed today.
- o **Dennis Seik** is having bladder surgery today in Albuquerque.
- o **Dorothy Fenter** is recovering from a fall earlier this week.

Continue in Prayer

Rosemary O’Neal,
Anita Zuniga, Clara O’Neil,
Wanda Walker, Jean Brooks,
Tim Miller, Mary Lou Hall,
Ray & Joanne Magness,
Sam & Pat Gentry,
Cheryl Ringheimer,
Helen Aston, Elaine Bell,
Glen & Carolyn Browning,
Geneva Fender,
Kathleen Sherman,
Alicia Bennett, Jeanne Moore

From the Mailbag...

Dear Church Family,
Words can’t express the gratitude we feel for all the kind words of sympathy, the prayers, cards and calls we have received. It’s never easy to lose a loved one but not too long before Carole Lynn passed she said, “I know where I’m going and I’m ready to go.” She was an awesome lady and will be truly missed. Also, appreciate all the prayers for my successful cataract surgery. What a wonderful church family we have!

Thank you,
Beverly Merritt

For the Record

Sunday AM Worship.....184
Weekly Contribution.....\$9,781

Those Scheduled to Serve

Deacons on Duty: Greg Nibert, Koko Blackwell, George Escalante, Joe Sanchez
Men on Duty: Robert Leyva, Larry Fitts, Kevin Fenter, Ron Doyle, Ronnie Merritt, Jerry Ringheimer
Greeters: Larry & Patricia Fitts, Bob & Betty Ullery

Life@CCR

- The **church workday** is set to begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 27th. We will provide donuts & pizza for all of our workers. Please feel free to join in the fun, even if you have not signed up for a slot!
- **The April/May/June edition of The Power for Today has arrived! We are happy to mail out copies to those who cannot pick one up. Please give the office a call if you would like us to mail you one.**
- **To ease some concerns regarding our return to bible class, here is a little info for those of you who have been unable to attend...**we have purchased four toucheless hand sanitizing stations that will be situated at the entryways. We serve communion in individual wafer/juice sets that can be picked up on the foyer table prior to worship. In order to social distance a bit more, we try to space folks to sit in every other pew. We are looking forward to resuming activities at the building and appreciate your use of caution as we do our best to prevent any potential spread of COVID.

Sunday morning bible study is set to start back on Sunday, April 4th! Here is a look at the classes that will be offered...

Sermon on the Mount – Doug Austin (Auditorium)
“The Help Club for Mom’s” bible study – Taryn Houghtalin (Heart-to-Heart – Rm. 27)
“Now That I am a Christian” – Oscar Hernandez/Mike Joy (Small Fellowship)
Revelation (Spanish) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)
Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)
JL 1st – 3rd grade – Deona Santos (Rm. 20)
JL 4th – 6th grade – Melissa Ramirez (Rm. 15)
4’s, 5’s & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 11)
3-year old’s – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)
Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Wednesday Evening Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, April 7th at 6:30 p.m.

Week @ a Glance **Celebrations & Happenings**

28th	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM or Facebook Live. Rosemary O’Neal’s b-day.
30th	Jonah Austin’s b-day.
31st	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m. Wednesday evening worship @ 6:30 p.m. on Facebook Live. Karen Kilburn’s b-day.
3rd	Michelle Leyva & Ricardo Vasquez’s b-day.

Pantry Items Needed: Spaghetti sauce, Peanut butter, Jelly, Evaporated milk

Life Group Study Guide

Text: 1 Peter 1:3-9

1. When thinking about the resurrection, how can we believe something we have never seen? How would you prove the resurrection? Is walking by faith and not by sight easy? Why or why not?
2. How does the resurrection of Jesus give us hope? What kind of hope?
3. How is Christian baptism a demonstration of God’s power?
4. What perspective does Peter give suffering in verses 6-7? How does this perspective help you deal with past or current suffering in your life?
5. When has your faith been tested by a fiery trial? How did you come out of it? What counsel would you give those who are going through a fiery trial right now?
6. In the midst of suffering, how does God give us a new perspective? How does the world handle the trials of life?
7. When Christians say, “The best is yet to come,” what do we mean? Do we really believe that the best is yet to come?