

## The Good News Of Easter

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*"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 NIV*

*"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die." John 11:25-26 NIV*

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am." John 14:1-3 NIV*

*"There is more evidence that Jesus rose from the dead than there is that Julius Caesar ever lived, or that Alexander the Great died at the age of 33. It is strange that historians will accept thousands of facts for which they can produce only shreds of evidence. But in the face of the overwhelming evidence of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, they cast a skeptical eye and hold intellectual doubts." — Billy Graham*

*"The first fact in the history of Christianity is a number of people who say they have seen the Resurrection." C.S. Lewis*

*"If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that he said... the issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like his teaching, but whether or not he rose from the dead." Tim Keller*

### **Key Verses of the Day**

*When you were dead in your sins... God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. Colossians 2:13-14 NIV*

### **Key Thought of Easter**

Believing in Jesus brings \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **1. The Transformation from \_\_\_\_\_.**

*He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. Colossians 2:14 NIV*

## **The Bad News**

- People who don't believe in Jesus are condemned as \_\_\_\_\_ over sin.

*...our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us...*

## **The Good News**

- People who believe in Jesus have all their charges over sin \_\_\_\_\_.

*He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us...*

*There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus...  
Romans 8:1 NIV*

## **2. The Transformation from \_\_\_\_\_.**

*When you were dead in your sins... God made you alive with Christ.  
Colossians 2:13 NIV*

## **The Bad News**

- People who don't believe in Jesus are \_\_\_\_\_ in their sins.

*When you were dead in your sins...*

*For the wages of sin is death... Romans 6:23a NIV*

## **The Good News**

- People who believe in Jesus are gifted spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

*... God made you alive with Christ.*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23 NIV*

*This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! 2 Corinthians 5:17*

*The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ... Romans 8:16-17 NIV*

*Luke 23:39-43*

## **How can we be forgiven and experience new life in Christ?**

Only by Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_.

*... he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.*