



#9 In the Along the way Series

# HE HAS RISEN Forest Park Church

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If you had to answer the question which words in the last hours of Jesus Life were most crucial what would you answer?

There are so many iconic and powerful statements that fill this final chapter of Jesus ministry before the cross. He has set his face toward Jerusalem but all the while his heart is to reach the lost all around him. Even in his moments of greatest need Jesus remains unwavering in his mission.

**(Brodie:** The following is a set of scriptures I will pull a narrative together with. If you need any of them Jesus let me know and I can use others!)

## Luke 13:34

*34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!*

## 1. The Last Supper:

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### John 13:15

*I have set **you** an example that **you** should do as I have done for you.*

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### Matthew 26:21

*And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to **you**, **one of you will betray me.**"*

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*Mark 14:22 And as they were **eating**, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "**Take; this is my body.**"*

5 **2. In the Garden:**

**Matthew 26:34**

6 *Jesus said to him, “Truly, I tell you, this very night, **before the rooster crows**, you will deny me three times.”*

7 *Matthew 26:41 41 Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. **The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**”*

8 *Matthew 26:50 Jesus replied, “**Do what you came for, friend.**” Then the men stepped **forward**, seized Jesus and arrested him.*

9 *Matthew 26:52 52 Then Jesus said to him, “Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword.*

9 **3. Standing Trial:**

**Matthew 27:11**

(Jesus Before the High Priest and Pilot)

“Are you the king of the Jews?” “**You have said so,**” Jesus replied.

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*John 18:36 Jesus said, “**My kingdom is not of this world.** If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”*

*Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, **the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.**”*

38 “What is truth?” retorted Pilate.

11 **4. The Cross:**

**Luke 23:34**

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do."

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Luke 23:43 "Truly, I say to you, **today you will be with me in Paradise.**"

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John 19:26-27 "Jesus said to his mother: *"Woman, this is your son."*  
*Then he said to the disciple: "This is your mother."*

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***Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34 "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"***

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***John 19:28 "I thirst."***

**John 19:30**

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, ***"It is finished;"***  
and he bowed his head and handed over the spirit.

**Luke 23:46**

Jesus cried out in a loud voice,  
***"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."***

**Or Maybe it was the *"It is finished;"* and the solders confession....**

**Matthew 27:54**

*When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “**Truly this was the Son of God!**”*

As powerful as all these statements are there remains one that all of these statements hang on..... One statement that reveals to us the mind of Christ like none other.....

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Luke 22:42“Father, if you are **willing**, take this cup from me; **yet not my will, but yours be done.**”

### Application:

As we gather together as the family of God may I ask you this Simple question..... Who's will is in control of your life.

**Who's will is displayed by the substance of your life?**

### Are My:

- Relationships
- Finances
- lifestyle Choices
- Deepest Desires

### Is My:

- Tongue
- My Body
- My appetites
- My Attitude

Under my will Or Gods will.....

**Matthew 16:24,**

*"If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."*

William Barclay, in commenting on this verse, said,

"To deny oneself means in every moment of life to say no to self, and to say yes to God. To deny oneself means once, finally and for all to dethrone self and to enthrone God. To deny oneself means to obliterate self as the dominant principle of life, and to make God the ruling principle, more, the ruling passion, of life. The life of constant self-denial is the life of constant assent to God."

**When we face Crucifixion for us it isn't a wooden instrument of execution but more often than not a conscious decision.....**

**Romans 6:1**

*6 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*

*Paul lived in this manner.*

**Galatians 2:20**

*"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."*

(Brodie Leads the Lords Supper Meditation and Prayer followed by the Lord's Supper.)

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Part 2: New Lifest is Sunday, April 5, AD 33. This day will change the entire course of world history, more than any other day before or after, though only a handful of people will know this by day's end.

In an ancient, arid, Near Eastern city, one singular event will occur this day, unleashing a movement so compelling, so enduring, so influential, so unstoppable that two thousand years and billions of adherents later, it will still be growing, faster than ever, while the mighty empire that witnesses its birth will long lay in ancient ruins. This movement will shape nations, span oceans, birth universities, launch hospitals, transform tribal peoples in the world's remotest

places, and be spoken, read, and sung about in more languages than any other religious movement by far.

That singular event? The body of Jesus of Nazareth will exit his tomb.

## The moment Jesus emerged from the Grave everything Changed!

Never since the first Sin had the pull of death been broken by the Power of life.

The resurrection of Christ gives us hope.

The late Emil Brunner once said, "What oxygen is for the lungs, such is hope for the meaning of human life."

As the human organism is dependent on a supply of oxygen, so humanity is dependent on its supply of hope.

Yet today hopelessness and despair are everywhere.

Peter, who himself was given to despair during the episode of Calvary, writes in a triumphant note, in

### **1 Peter 1:3**

*"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, "*

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### **A: The Resurrection Means Forgiveness. Romans 6:3**

*Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.*

*5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also*

*live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.*

### **John 5:21 and 24**

*For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. 22 For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.*

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B: The Resurrection Means Hope Job said, "If a man die, shall he live again?"

No question can more seriously engage the attention of any man than that one. All throughout the history of men, that interrogation has forced its way up from the depths of every human soul. Every man poses to himself the question of immortality.

From the earth's earliest morning, the thoughts of the man, which link life purely from the cradle to the grave have been rejected, and man has longed to understand the future life that is in his soul by way of anticipation.

- Every arch every built in the name of religion has, as its cornerstone, immortality.
- The hymns, for example, of ancient Babylon and Assyria - their great religious epics - bear witness to their belief in a future life.

It's funny that perhaps the most comforting sermon ever preached began with the rather inauspicious greeting: , "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!"

### **Luke 24:26**

*<sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.*

*<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.*

*<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"*

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## **C: The Resurrection Means Our Lives have Purpose**

*The resurrection of Jesus Christ is our promise that the life we live is not in vain.*

We have significance both temporally and eternally.

Our lives have purpose beyond the eighty-or-so years we spend on earth because the living God has promised us that our investments in eternity will not return empty.

### **Ephesians 2:10**

*For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.*

*The bodily resurrection gives hope beyond this life. So, that helps us to understand that our future treasure through Christ is bigger than our bank accounts or life achievements (**1 Cor 15:35–49**).*

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Conclusion:WHAT IF THERE HAD BEEN NO RESURRECTION? (1 Cor. 15:12-20)

No Foundation

No Faith

- Our Worship Is Vain
- Our Teaching Is Vain
- Our Faith Is Vain
- We Are False Witnesses

No Forgiveness

No Future

- Our Loved Ones Who Have Gone Before Are Gone Forever
- We Have Lived Our Lives In Vain -

Our hope is not in our own ability, or in our goodness, or in our physical strength. Our hope is instilled in us by the resurrection of Christ.

The Future To Come

I want to close with how Paul closes in 1 Corinthians 15 with an incredible vision of the future for of every Christian. If you believe and trust in Jesus, this will be your future.

### **1 Corinthians 15:54-57**

*I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."*

*55 "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 (ESV)*