

# The Resurrection

## Part Three: Resurrection Power

Evangelion (that we call the gospel) is a Greek word and signifieth good, merry, glad and joyful tidings, that maketh a man's heart glad, and maketh him sing, dance, and leap for joy.

*William Tyndale*

### INTRODUCTION

Why do you do what you do?

Though I lived as a monk without reproach, I felt that I was a sinner before God with an extremely disturbed conscience. I could not believe that he was placated by my satisfaction. I did not love, yes, I hated the righteous God who punishes sinners, and secretly, if not blasphemously, certainly murmuring greatly, I was angry with God...Martin Luther

### Recap



Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men.<sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,<sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

Gal 5:19 sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup> idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup> and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control... <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

## 1. "HEAVEN" AS GOD'S DIMENSION OF PRESENT REALITY

Luke 9:16 Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke them

Isaiah 63:15 Look down from heaven and see from your lofty throne, holy and glorious.

Matt. 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

### 2 Kings 6:15-19

Rev. 7:9 .....great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

1 Peter 1:4 ...an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, 5 who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

Phil 3: 20 But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

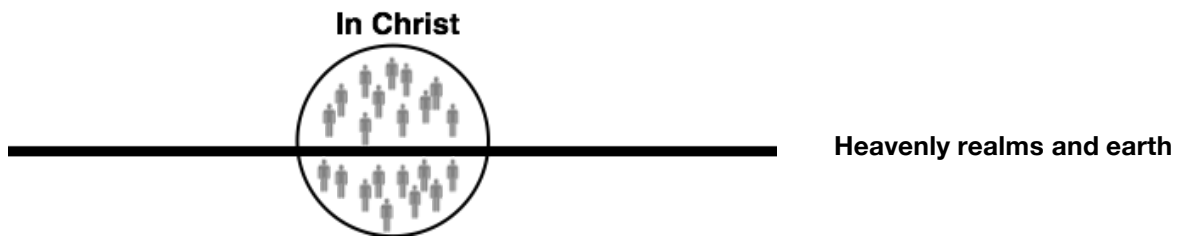
## 2. THE HEAVENLY REALMS

Eph 3:10 His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms,

Eph 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

### 3. WE ARE IN HEAVEN WITH CHRIST

Ephesians



### 4. WE ARE UNITED, IN HEAVEN, WITH CHRIST IN HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION.

*We have been raised with Christ...therefore*

Ephesians 2

Colossians 2-3

Colossians 3:1-5

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James 1:21 Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent (imp) and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. (ind)

## **Romans 6**

### **We *will* be raised with Christ...therefore**

2 Corinthians 4:14 we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in his presence.

## **Romans 8**

Romans 13: 11 And do this, understanding the present time. The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armour of light. 13 Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. 14 Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

“When the devil throws our sins up to us and declares that we deserve death and hell we ought to speak thus: I admit that I deserve death and hell: but what of it? Does this mean I shall be sentenced to eternal damnation? By no means! For I know one who has suffered and made satisfaction in my behalf. His name is Jesus Christ the Son of God. Where he is, I shall be also.” Martin Luther.

## **RESPONSE**

Something I've been reminded of:

Something new I've learned:

Something I need to do, or change as a result: