Resurrection TRUTHS ~ 1 Corinthians 15:17-20

→ Scripture Reading 1 Cor. 5:17-20, Rom. 8:31-34

...we Have FORGIVENESS of OUR Sins ~ 1 Corinthians 15:17-20

1 Corinthians 15:17-20 (NLT) And IF Christ has not been raised, then your faith is USELESS and you are still guilty of your sins. [18] In that case, all who have DIED believing in Christ are lost. [19] And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world. [20] But in fact, Christ has been raised from the DEAD...

Romans 4:25 (NIV) HE was delivered over to DEATH for OUR sins and was RAISED to life FOR our justification.

...we CAN BE Born AGAIN ~ 1 Peter 1:3

1 Peter 1:3 (NIV) Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. **In HIS great mercy HE has** given us NEW BIRTH into a living HOPE through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...

Being Born Again...

- happens to ALL Believers
- > means having **NEW Values** and **Priorities**
- is a GIFT from God

...we HAVE the Lord's PRESENCE and POWER ~ Matthew 28:18-20

Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV) Then **Jesus came to them** and said, **All authority** in heaven and on earth **has been given to ME**. [19] Therefore **GO and make disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] and **TEACHING them** to **obey** everything I have commanded you. And surely **I AM with you ALWAYS**, to the very end of the age.

...we have RECEIVED the Holy Spirit ~ Acts 2:32-33

Acts 2:32-33 (NLT) God RAISED Jesus from the dead, and <u>we are ALL witnesses of this</u>. [33] Now He is exalted to the place of HIGHEST HONOR in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as He had promised, gave Him the Holy Spirit to POUR OUT upon US, just as you see and hear today.

→ The Holy Spirit INSIDE of you - is way better than Jesus beside you

...we can Live a NEW LIFE ~ Romans 6:4

Romans 6:4 (NLT) For we died and were buried with Christ by BAPTISM. And just as Christ was RAISED from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live NEW lives.

→Early Baptistry

Water Baptism is a **symbol** of a Believer's **union with Christ** by the action of the Holy Spirit. Who gives us the POWER to live **a NEW LIFE**. ESV

...we have a SAVIOR that can NEVER DIE ~ Romans 6:8-9

Romans 6:8-9 (NLT) And since we DIED with Christ, we KNOW we will also LIVE with Him.

1 John 5:13 (NIV) I write these things to you who BELIEVE in the name of the Son of God so that you **may KNOW that you HAVE eternal life**.

[9] We are <u>sure of this</u> because **Christ was RAISED from the dead, and HE will never DIE again**. **Death no longer has ANY POWER over him.**

...we can FACE Opposition BOLDLY ~ Acts 5:28-32

Acts 5:28-32 (NIV) We gave you strict orders not to teach in THIS NAME, he said. Yet you have <u>filled</u> Jerusalem with your teaching and are <u>determined</u> to make US GUILTY of this man's blood.

[29] Peter and the other apostles replied: <u>We must obey God rather than men</u>. [30] The God of our fathers **RAISED Jesus from the dead** - whom **YOU had KILLED** by hanging Him on a tree. [31] God EXALTED Him to His own **RIGHT hand** as <u>Prince and Savior</u> that **He might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel**. [32] We are witnesses of these things...

Cowardly, wayward, and weak, I change with the changing sky; Today so eager and bright, Tomorrow too weak to try; But HE never gives in, So we two shall win, Jesus and I.

I cannot do it alone; The waves run fast and high, And the fog closes all around, The light goes out in the sky; But I know that we two shall win in the end, Jesus and I.

...we Fear NO CONDEMNATION ~ Romans 8:1,32-34

Romans 8:1, 32-34 (NIV) [1] Therefore, **there is now NO CONDEMNATION** for those who are **IN Christ Jesus**...

[32] He who did not spare his OWN Son, but gave Him up for us all - how will He not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? [33] Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who JUSTIFIES. [34] Who is he that condemns? <u>Christ Jesus</u>, who died - more than that, <u>who was raised to life</u> - is at the right hand of God and is ALSO interceding for us.