

# **Beyond Sunday with Scripture References**

In Christ (Easter message)

A Sermon Application Guide

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with this week's program. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

## **Message Theme & Prayer Focus**

Your Identity In The Resurrection

*"Father, thank you for the truth in your word. Open my eyes to see your truth unfold in reality. Open my ears to hear your voice as I go about my day. Open my heart to receive the truth you have for me today and let it change the way I live in Jesus' name. Amen!"*

## **Key Concepts/Truths**

The fact that Jesus was raised from the dead means that in God's eyes, we are just as if we had never sinned. He restored the world to Himself through Jesus, no longer counting our sins against us.

Jesus paid a debt He did not owe because we had a debt we could not pay. Jesus was the substitute for all of us.

Adam represented us in everything that He did, but the Bible calls Jesus "the last Adam" as He has become our new representative by everything that He did.

In God's eyes it wasn't just Jesus that hung on the cross. If we are in Christ, then we also died, were buried, raised to life, and are sitting in Heavenly places. Whatever happened to Him, also happened to us.

The Gospels in scripture are like man's view of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The Epistles are like God's view of the resurrection because they go into greater spiritual detail and understanding of what took place in the supernatural because of what Jesus did.

Satan is the accuser that picks apart our life, sin, and past to keep us from living as God made us--justified. The strength that the devil has is in sin and condemnation, but there is no longer condemnation for those who are in Christ.

The beginning of condemnation is the end of victory, peace, and joy, but the beginning of true faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus is the end of condemnation.

You did what the devil said you did, but you aren't who the devil says you are. The price has already been paid and you are a new creation in Christ.

God promises to never leave us or even turn His heart away from us, and nothing can separate us from His love.

The resurrection is proof that we were justified. When Jesus rose, God tore the curtain in the temple that separated Himself from us.

### **Key Verses:**

Matthew 28:1-7 • Romans 4:25 • Revelation 20:10 • 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, 18-20 • Galatians 2:20 • Romans 5:12 • Colossians 2:14-15 • 1 Corinthians 15:21-26 • Matthew 27:51-53

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

### **Daily Application**

We know that there is no condemnation for us who are in Christ. When the devil brings up our past, it's a great opportunity to remind him of his future. Jesus has triumphed over sin, death, and the devil and we have that same victory in Him. But what does that victory look like in our daily lives? It looks like having His joy and peace when we encounter disappointment, heartache, or setback. It looks like calling on His strength when we feel like we have nothing left. It looks like, no matter what the devil tries to accuse us with, we know that Jesus' death already paid the price and has made us a new creation and brought us into His Kingdom.

Are you living life from that Kingdom perspective? You don't have to look back at the old when you have been made new, and being made new literally means that you have a new way of living. Because you've been made new, you are more than a conqueror through Jesus.

Believers are no longer under Satan's domain of sin, sickness, disease, and death. We are part of the Kingdom of God and we have everything that living in that Kingdom brings. Our sins are forgiven and our diseases are healed. We're redeemed from destruction, satisfied, renewed, and crowned with loving kindness and good things. With God as our Father we can rest in the fact that He loves us, cares for us, that we are part of His family, and in His Kingdom forever.

### **This Week's Declaration**

*I have died, been buried, and have been made alive again in Christ for the glory of God. I have been made a new creation in Christ and there is no longer any condemnation for me. I no longer live according to the old way of life and I accept everything that God has for me through Jesus' finished work on the cross. I am justified by my faith in Jesus and I know that God's heart is turned toward me. When the devil comes to accuse me of my past and the things I've done I know what God says about me. He has wiped my sin away, reconciled me, given me authority to trample on the devil, and brought me into His family. As a child of God I live to glorify my Father in all I believe, say, and do in Jesus' name!*

## **What's Next?**

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

## **Scripture References**

In Christ

### **Matthew 28:1-7 NKJV**

Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you."

### **Romans 4:25 NKJV**

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### **Revelation 12:10 NKJV**

...for the accuser of our brethren...

### **Revelation 20:10 NKJV**

The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

### **2 Corinthians 5:18 TLB**

All these new things are from God who brought us back to himself through what Christ Jesus did. And God has given us the privilege of urging everyone to come into his favor and be reconciled to him.

**2 Corinthians 5:14-15 NKJV**

For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

**Galatians 2:20 NKJV**

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me;

**Romans 5:12 NKJV**

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned

**1 Corinthians 15:45-47 NKJV**

And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.

**2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

**Colossians 2:14 NKJV**

having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

**Colossians 2:15 NKJV**

Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

**1 Corinthians 15:21-26 NKJV**

For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming. Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

**Matthew 27:51 NKJV**

Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split,

**Matthew 27:52-53 NKJV**

...and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many.

**1 Thessalonians 4:15 NKJV**

For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep.

**2 Corinthians 5:8 NKJV**

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

**1 Thessalonians 4:16 NKJV**

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel... And the dead in Christ will rise first.

**1 Corinthians 15:52 NKJV**

...in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

**1 Thessalonians 4:17-18 NKJV**

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

**Philippians 3:11 NKJV**

if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

**Revelation 20:4-6 NKJV**

And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

**Revelation 20:11-15 NKJV**

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was

opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire

### **1 Corinthians 3:10-15 NKJV**

According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation *with* gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on *it* endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

### **Revelation 22:12 NKJV**

"And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

### **Revelation 22:12 MSG**

"Yes, I'm on my way! I'll be there soon! I'm bringing my payroll with me. I'll pay all people in full for their life's work. I'm A to Z, the First and the Final, Beginning and Conclusion.