



# Beyond the Sermon

## A Sermon Application Guide

Title: Living Resurrected

This guide offers a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

### Message Theme

Jesus' Death, Your Righteousness

### Prayer Focus

*Dear God, thank You for sending Your only Son to pay the price for sin. Because of Christ's sacrifice, we can experience freedom and choose to follow You. Jesus saved me when He took all my sins and sickness with Him to the cross. He called me into a relationship with You, not because I earned it but because of Your boundless love. In Jesus' Name, amen.*

### Key Truths

The foundation of Christianity is built on two supernatural events: the *incarnation* when Jesus was born of a virgin and the *resurrection* when He rose from the dead.

Why did Jesus come to live a sinless life and then die for us? God created man and woman, giving them dominion over the earth. When Adam and Eve ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil in the Garden of Eden, they didn't die physically but spiritually and handed their authority over to Satan. When Satan entered the world, he brought every evil thing with him. Jesus came to destroy the works of the Devil and restore what Adam and Eve did when they fell. Sin separated us from God, and Jesus reconciled us back to Him.

The payment for sin is death, so Christ bore our sins upon Himself and took them to the cross. Above Jesus' head, where He suffered and died, hung a sign that, in the natural, read "the King of the Jews." However, if you could look into the spiritual realm, that sign contained a list of every sin or wrongdoing anyone could commit. When Jesus rose from the dead, through His blood we were justified; His payment was enough, and we've been made whole. We don't deserve God's grace, but He gave it anyway because of His love for us. Now, when God looks at us, He doesn't see our mistakes, only Christ's redemption. We have freedom through Jesus!

## Practical Application

Our culture promotes the lie that *good people* go to Heaven. The enemy will whisper in your ear that you haven't done enough to earn salvation because you aren't "good." However, the Bible teaches that only *forgiven people* will enter Heaven. Therefore, only through Jesus Christ can we be made right with the Father.

God promised forgiveness when we repent, but we must ask for it. Sit before the Father and receive the gift of forgiveness Christ fully paid for at the cross.

## Reference Verses

- Genesis 1:26-28, 2:15
- Psalms 8:6
- 2 Corinthians 4:4
- 1 John 3:8
- Matthew 28:1-7, 27:52-53
- Romans 5:12, 1:16, 4:25
- 1 Corinthians 15:45-49, 15:22-24
- Ephesians 2:12-13, 1:7
- Galatians 3:29
- Revelation 21:1-5, 1:18
- Hebrews 2:14-16
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- 2 Corinthians 5:17, 5:21
- 1 Samuel 17
- Colossians 2:14

## Declarations

- I know Jesus will return as the King of kings and Lord of lords.
- He vanquished the Devil, allowing me to walk with boldness and authority over the enemy.
- What Jesus accomplished on the cross made me righteous before God; He bore my sin and shame, making me whole and setting me free.

## What's Next?

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is not just a historical event—it is the foundation of our faith and the source of our victory. His triumph over sin, death, and the devil has changed everything, giving us a new identity, purpose, and eternal hope. To fully walk in this victory, we must understand its depth, live out its implications, and embrace the hope it provides.

### **1. Understand the Depth of Christ's Victory**

The resurrection is more than a moment in history; it is the defining victory that broke the power of sin and death. Take time to reflect on its significance, meditating on the truth that Jesus' victory has set you free. In Christ, you are a new creation, forgiven, redeemed, and made righteous. Embrace this freedom, rejecting any guilt or condemnation, and live confidently in the grace that has been freely given to you.

### **2. Live Out the Implications of Christ's Victory**

Knowing that Jesus has won the battle, we must walk in that victory daily. Resist the enemy's temptations and lies, standing firm in the authority and power you have in Christ. Let your life reflect your new identity—one marked by love, joy, peace, and righteousness. As you experience the transformation that comes from His victory, boldly share the message of salvation with others, proclaiming the good news that Christ has overcome sin and death for all who believe.

### **3. Embrace the Hope of Eternal Life**

The resurrection not only secures our victory in this life but also guarantees our future with God for eternity. Keep your eyes fixed on the hope of heaven, knowing that this world is temporary, but God's promises are eternal. Use your time and talents to serve Him and others, making an impact that lasts beyond this life. When challenges arise, find strength in God's Word, trusting in His love and faithfulness to carry you through.

By embracing these truths, you can fully walk in the power of Christ's resurrection. Live with confidence, purpose, and joy, knowing that His victory is your victory. Stand firm in your faith, share His love boldly, and look forward with hope to the eternal life that awaits in His presence.

## **Scripture References**

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**Genesis 1:26 NKJV** ...let them have dominion...

**Psalms 8:6 NKJV** ...You have put all things under his feet...

**Genesis 2:15 AMPC** And the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and guard and keep it.

**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 [a]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.<sup>5</sup> 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 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 NKJV** “The first man Adam became a living being.” The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

**1 Corinthians 15:47 NKJV** The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.

**1 John 3:8 NKJV** For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

**Ephesians 2:12-13 NKJV** ...that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

**Romans 3:25 NKJV** ...whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood...

**Revelation 21:1 NKJV** Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth...

**Revelation 21:2-5 NKJV** Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.”

**Hebrews 2:14 NKJV** Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil...

**Hebrews 2:15-16 NKJV** ...and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham.

**Revelation 1:18 NKJV** I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

**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 4:13 NKJV** But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.

**1 Thessalonians 4:14-15 NKJV** For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. 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.

**1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 NKJV** For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 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.

**Romans 1:16 NKJV** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

**Romans 1:16 LOVETT** ...It is the power which emanates from God and saves all who believe in it...It reveals God's way of making men as righteous as Himself.

**2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJV** For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

**Colossians 2:14 LAV** God crossed out the whole debt against us in His account books. He no longer counted the laws that we had broken. He nailed the account book to the cross and closed the account.

**Colossians 2:15 LOVETT** He openly displayed Jesus' triumph over Satan, disarming him and his entire band of spirits down to the last demon.

**Hebrews 12:24 NKJV**...to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

**Hebrews 4:16 AMPC** Let us then fearlessly *and* confidently *and* boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].