

Bible Class Notes – Easter Sunday

God's Wonderful Plan of Salvation

This week we remind ourselves of God's Mercy and Kindness in Saving His People

Paul wrote **“Christ died for our sins ...; He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”** 1 Corinthians 15 vs3-4

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 18 v1-18 (Judas' betrayal, Christ's arrest)	
Monday	John 18 v19-27 (Peter's denial, the cock crows)	
Tuesday	John 18 v28-40 (Christ's trial - no fault found)	
Wednesday	John 19 v1-18 (Christ crucified)	
Thursday	John 19 v19-37 (Scripture fulfilled)	
Friday	John 19 v38-42, 20 v1-18 (Buried, Rises 3 rd day)	
Saturday	John 20 v19-31 (The risen Christ appears)	

Important Lesson for us Today: God fits us for Heaven despite a Great Fall:

With Adam we are all Fallen and Lost in sin. Believers, being predestinated (chosen) by God in Eternity Past are: **Graciously Called** by God The Holy Spirit to repent and believe, **Justified** (declared righteous) by Christ's death on the Cross, **Adopted** into God's family, to grow like the Lord Jesus Christ in **Sanctification** (Holiness), and finally to be **Glorified** (resurrected, changed to be like Christ) – Perfect, to enjoy God's Eternity for ever.

Christ the Lord is risen today, Hallelujah, What a Saviour!

This week's hymn verses remind us of what our response should be: (260)

Give me a sight, O Saviour,	Then melt my heart, O Saviour
Of Thy wondrous love to me,	Bend me and break me down,
Of the love that brought Thee down to earth,	Until I own Thee Conqueror,
To die on Calvary.	And Lord and Sovereign crown.

*O make me understand it,
Help me to take it in,
What it meant to Thee, the Holy One,
To bear away my sin.*

EDT Bible Class Take Home Sheet

God sent His Son to Die for Lost Sinners on Calvary

• Bible Truths about God:

- One Triune God - Father, Son (The Lord Jesus Christ), and Holy Spirit.
 - Divine, Eternally and Equally the same - Without beginning or end.
 - Omnipotent (All Powerful), Omniscient (All Knowing), Omnipresent (Everywhere), Holy, Just, Loving, Gracious, Merciful, and Forgiving.
- His Great Plan of Salvation – Conceived in Eternity – before Time began.
 - The Son agreed to come to earth as a Perfect Man - The Saviour of Sinners
 - Promised throughout The Old Testament, Fulfilled in the New Testament

• Before Calvary – The Lord Jesus Christ:

- Proved Himself as God – Perfect Life, Preaching & Teaching Truth, Miracles.
- He Prayed for God's Blessing on ALL who would believe in Him (read John 17).
- In Gethsemane He prayed for His Fathers' help as He faced the ordeal of His Crucifixion the next day – even sweating drops of blood. (read Luke 22 v41-42).
- He **allowed** men to evilly treat Him and falsely condemn Him to death.

• On Calvary - The Lord Jesus Christ:

- Suffered His Father's Holy, Eternal Wrath for Sin in the space of a few hours.
 - Darkness hid the awful spectacle of His Suffering – Physical, and in His Soul.
- He, as a **Perfect Substitute**, took the full, eternal, punishment due to His People for the guilt of All their sins. He did this because He Loves His People.
- He **Gave up His Life** - No man took it from Him. (John 19 v30).
 - **“It is Finished” – Complete Victory** over Sin, Death, The Grave and Hell.

• After Calvary - The Lord Jesus Christ:

- **Rose Again** – He took back His Life–**Death could not hold Him.**
 - His Resurrection confirms His completed work of Salvation for Sinners.
 - Seen by many of His followers, including two travelling to Emmaus. (Luke 24)
- **Ascended into Heaven**, to present saved sinners without sin to His Father.
 - Believers are seen by God as wearing His Righteousness – As Holy People.
- **Promised to Return as the Judge** of all who have ever lived. (Acts 1 v11).
- This will be the end of time when the New Heaven and New Earth will begin.

The Apostle John wrote, ‘Thomas answered and said unto Him, “My LORD and my God”. Jesus saith unto him, “Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed”.

And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name’. John 20 v28-31.