

Bible and College 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 15vs3-4.

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

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

With Adam, the first man, we are all Fallen and Lost in sin. Christian 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 and Resurrection, **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 Eternal Heaven. **Christ the Lord is risen today, Hallelujah, What a Saviour!**

Hymn 260 – We have a sure and certain hope of the resurrection in Christ.

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| <p>1. 'Christ the Lord is risen today!'
Sons of men and angels say;
Raise your joy and triumph high;
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply.</p> | <p>3. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids Him rise;
Christ has opened paradise.</p> |
| <p>4. Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save;
Where Thy victory, O grave?</p> | <p>6. King of glory! Soul of bliss!
Everlasting life is this;
Thee to know, Thy power to prove,
Resurrected God of Love.</p> |

EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible.

God sent His Beloved 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, Patient, and Forgiving.**
 - **His Great Plan of Salvation – Conceived in Eternity** – before Time began.
 - **The Covenant agreement within the Godhead** - The Son agreed to come to earth as a **Perfect Man** - the **Saviour of Sinners**, the **Father would accept His sacrificial death**, and the **Holy Spirit would grant faith and call sinners to repentance.**
 - **Promised** throughout the **Old Testament, Fulfilled** in the **New Testament.**
- **Before Calvary – The Lord Jesus Christ:** -
 - **Proved Himself as God** – His Perfect Life, Preaching & Teaching Truth, and 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 22v41-42.**
 - 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 Willingly Gave up His Life** - No man took it from Him. **John 19v30.**
 - It was for the joy that was set before Him that He endured the cross. **Hebrews 12v2.**
 - **"It is Finished"** – **Complete Victory** over Sin, Death, the Grave, Satan, 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 1v11.**

Refer to Matthew 27v11-31 where the historical event is recorded of the false trial of the Lord by the Roman Governor Pontius Pilate. Pilate knew that the Lord was innocent of all the charges which the Jewish Religious Leaders had brought against Him, but he still condemned Him to death.

Although it was the Sovereign Plan of God that Christ should die, Pilate was still responsible for his own actions. Pilate tried to satisfy his conscience by washing his hands, but this cannot be done without sincere repentance.

Look to Christ in sincere repentance and faith and live.