Resurrection ~ All Things Are Possible

That Our Souls May Prosper... Let This Mind Be in You...!

Pessimism! ~Tendency to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen, the world falling apart, evil will ultimately prevail over good.

Scarcity Mind rather than Abundance Mind.

The Story of Aluminum. Tiberius, Napoleon, Electrolysis

3rd most abundant element (O & Si) most abundant metal in crust

The Resurrection!! Unexpected Solution to the Weakness of the Law through sinful flesh

Ps	36:5 MSG God's love is meteoric,
	his loyalty astronomic,
6	His purpose titanic,
	his verdicts oceanic.
	Yet in his largeness
	nothing gets lost;
	Not a man, not a mouse,
	slips through the cracks.
7	How exquisite your love, O God!
	How eager we are to run under your wings,
8	To eat our fill at the banquet you spread
	as you fill our tankards with Eden spring water.
9	You're a fountain of cascading light,
	and you open our eyes to light.

Breaking the Finality of Death

John 11:24 NIV Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

25 Jesus said to her, *"I am the resurrection and the life.* He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; 26 and whoever lives and believes in me **will never die**. Do you believe this?"

Destruction of Death

Phil 2:5 NKJ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

Shatters the SHAM kingdom of darkness based in selfish interest

"I will ascend..." is defeated by "I will descend..."

- Isa 14:13 ESV You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God I will set my throne on high;...
- 14 I will ascend above ... I will make myself like the Most High.'
- Phil 2:7 ESV... but **emptied himself**, 8 ... **humbled himself** ... to the point of death, even death on a cross.
- "who for us humans and our salvation, came down from Heaven..."
- HE DESCENDED so WE could ASCEND WITH HIM!

Manipulation, Intimidation & Control destroyed!

- John 19:15 ESV ... "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, **"We have no king but Caesar."**
- Heb 2:14 NIV Since the children have flesh and blood, he too <u>shared in their humanity</u> so that **by his death he might <u>destroy</u>** <u>him who holds the power of death</u>—that is, the devil—
- 15 and *free* those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.
- The Evil One defeated by the Lamb of God!
- In the Passion and on the Cross, every claim against humanity was vacated.

Col 2:13 ESV And you, who were dead in your trespasses ..., God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. 15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

NO SEPARATION!

Matt 27:50 ESV And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. 51 And behold, **the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.** And the earth shook, and the rocks were split.

The nature of **HOLINESS** is seen === **TRUE LOVE**

In His Passion & Death, He Swallowed up all negativity...

Religious treachery, hypocrisy and politics Betrayal & Abandonment by his friends Pilate's personal career Injustice and abuse at an outrageous level Suffered under demonized drunken sadists Anger, mocking & hopelessness

Yet he, responded with

1. Forgiveness – Father, forgive them	Luke 23.34
2. Friendship – Today, you'll be with me	Luke 23.43
3. Family – Dear woman, here is your son	John 19.26
4. Piety – Eli, Eli, lama sabbachthani	Mark 15.34
5. Thirst – I am thirsty	John 19.28
6. Confidence – It is finished	John 19.30
7. Commitment – Father, into your hands	Luke 23.46

FOR THE JOY SET BEFORE HIM!

The SHIFT

- Destroyed Death on the 6th Day
- Took the Keys of Hell and Death on the 7th Day
- Released the New Creation on the 8th Day!
- •Shattering the No Hope World that Most Know!

We are Held Back by False Impressions ... Until we Catch Up With The Mind of Christ

1. Tendency to Accept Immovable Barriers

- Mark 16:2 NIV Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb 3 and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"
- 4 But when they looked up, they saw that **the stone**, which was very large, **had been rolled away**.

2. Tendency to Look "Among the Dead"

Luke 24:5 In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? 6 He is not here; he has risen!Remember ... 8 Then they remembered his words.

3. The Tendency to Panic

John 20:2 NIV [Mary Magdalene] came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "*They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"*

4. Tendency to Get Stuck in Loss

- 11 but Mary stood outside the tomb crying.
- 15 "Woman," he said, "<u>why</u> are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, *tell me where you have put him,* and I will get him."
- 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).

HE CALLS OUR NAME!

6. Disappointment ~ "It's Over"

- Luke 24:21 NIV but **we had hoped** that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. **MIRACLES AREN'T WHAT WE EXPECT**
- 31 <u>Then their eyes were opened</u> and they recognized him, and <u>he</u> <u>disappeared</u> from their sight. 32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

HE STIRS OUR HEARTS & OPENS OUR EYES

7. Survivalism — "We're Next!"

- John 20:19 NIV On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the *doors locked for fear of the Jews*, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "*Peace* be with you!" 20:20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were *overjoyed* when they saw the Lord.
- (Luke 24:41 ...they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence.)
- 21 Again Jesus said, "**Peace** be with you! As the **Father** has **sent** me, **I** am sending you." 22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

HE GIVES US UNQUALIFIED PEACE (Back to Eden)

COMMISSIONS US INTO THE ETERNAL PURPOSE

PARTICIPATION IN THE TRINITY

Two Things to Remember

1. One Key – Faith (all things are possible)

John 20:24 ESV Now Thomas, ..., was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see ... and place my finger ... and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." 26 **Eight days later**, ... 27 He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. **Do not disbelieve, but believe.**"

INVITES US INTO UNCOMFORTABLE INTIMACY & FAITH

2. One Standard – Love

Turns our frustration into success

- John 21:4 ESV Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 Jesus said to them, "**Children, do you have any fish**?" They answered him, "**No**." 6 He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and **you will find some**." So they cast it, and now they were **not able to haul it in**, because of the quantity of fish.
- John 21:15 ESV When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" ... 16 ... a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" ... 17 ... the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" ... Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.
- FAILURE IS NOT AN ISSUE... LOVE IS ... it casts out FEAR
- God is Love. Love is Holy. With God, All Things are Possible!

Do you Love Me? Is our Mind the Mind of Love

Repentance (Changing our thinking & living)

Heb 12:1 NIV Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us **throw off everything** that **hinders** and the sin that so **easily entangles**, and let us **run** with perseverance the **race** *marked out for us*. 2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who *for the joy set before him* endured the cross, *scorning* its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the *throne* of *God*.

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Immovable Barriers, Dressing up Defeat, Panic, Getting Stuck, Disappointment, Survivalism — none of these can stop His Conquest.

Rodney Stark Triumph of Christianity +40% of World

The Victory Shout!

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

He's Alive! I'm Alive! It's Only Just Begun...