

Theme: Christ's resurrection is the basis of our salvation, so that we can rejoice in what has come to us entirely by grace.

## I. John Adams, Presidents Day, Easter

- A. Watching John Adams mini series - good
- B. Died on July 4, 1826 - Jefferson too
- C. We remember and celebrate great leaders
- D. Presidents Day, etc.
- E. Is Easter like that - or is it different?
- F. Does Jesus live like they do - in our memory?

## II. The Resurrection of Christ

- A. Key theme in the passage (vv5-6)
  - 1. Made alive, raised up with Christ (vv5-6)
  - 2. Our former state - dead (vv1, 5)
- B. Central point of apostolic preaching
  - 1. Acts 2:24, 31-32; 4:10; 10:39-40; 17:31
  - 2. 1 Corinthians 15:3-5
  - 3. Central message - Christ bodily raised
  - 4. Not lives in memory; spiritually - bodily raised!

## III. Christ's Resurrection & Our Salvation

- A. Regeneration - define; Eph 2:1, 4-5; 1 Peter 1:3
- B. Justification - define; Eph 2:8-9; Rom 4:25; Rom 8:33-34

C. Sanctification - define; Eph 2:10; Rom 6:4

D. Glorification - define; 1Co 15:20-23; Phil 3:21

## IV. Applying the Word

- A. Do we see the good news of the Resurrection?
  - 1. It is not up to us - it is God's work
  - 2. He does not live because we remember - He lives!
  - 3. Other ideas fall flat - death wins
  - 4. We were made to live in a body forever
  - 5. His resurrection shows God has conquered death!
- B. Do we see Good News in salvation from Resurrection?
  - 1. Salvation is God's work - not ours
  - 2. We are spiritually dead - but God can raise us!
  - 3. Sin's penalty is hell - but Risen Christ intercedes
  - 4. Sin dominates & destroys - Risen Christ gives power
  - 5. We will die and rot - but Christ will raise our body!
  - 6. Celebrate the Resurrection & salvation!
- C. Communion - salvation is in Christ alone!!

### Christ's Resurrection and Our Salvation

Ephesians 2:4-10  
1 Corinthians 15:12-23  
April 4, 2010  
Communion  
Hebrews 13:20-21

But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.... Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. 32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. Acts 2:24, 31-32

then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. Acts 4:10

"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, 40 but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen." Ac10:39-40

For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead. Acts 17:31

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. 1 Corinthians 15:3-5

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead 1 Peter 1:3

He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Romans 4:25

Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died--more than that, who was raised to life--is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Romans 8:33-34

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. Romans 6:4

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. 1 Cor 15:20-23

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Philippians 3:20-21