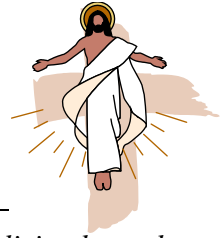


TODAY'S MESSAGE

"Living the Victory!"

1 Peter 1:3

April 5, 2015 - Easter



"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

1. GOD HAS A PURPOSE FOR MY LIFE

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

2. GOD HAS POWER FOR MY LIFE

"I can do everything through him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13

"being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience." Colossians 1:11

"He will not grow tired or weary... He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak; ... but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles..." Isaiah 40:28-30

"Some people have missed the most important thing in life – they don't know God!" 1 Timothy 6:21 (TLB)

3. HOW WILL I RESPOND?

PURPOSE: *"offer yourselves to God... as an instrument of righteousness." Romans 6:13*

POWER: *"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Hebrews 4:16*

PRAY: Your prayers of repentance, release and reliance are cause for rejoicing in heaven! (Luke 15:10)

For Reflection / Action: Do you believe that Christ rose from the dead (1 Cor. 15:2-4)? Do you believe that God has forgiven your sins because of Christ (Rom. 3:22)? Is God's plan for your life *your* plan (Romans 12:2)?

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