

Happy Easter!!!

(Luke 24:1-5) On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. 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? He is not here; he has risen!"

(Romans 4:25) Jesus was betrayed and put to death because of our sin and was raised to secure our salvation.

Hope = A feeling of expectation and a desire for a certain thing to happen, a person or thing that may help or save someone. Grounds for believing that something good is going to happen.

Jesus is the HOPE of the world!

(John 3:16) "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

The Hope of Easter

1. Easter gives me hope for yesterday's _____!

(John 3:17 NLT) God did not send his Son into the world to condemn it, but to save it.

- When you experience the hope of the cross you find _____.

(1 John 1:9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

(2 Corinthians 5:21) God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God in Christ.

2. Easter gives me hope for today's _____!

(Psalm 41:6) God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

- The cross reminds me that God is interested in everything that _____ me.

3. Easter gives me hope for tomorrow's _____!

(Jeremiah 29:11) 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.

- The cross reminds me that God made me for a _____!

(John 11:25-26) Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

(1 Peter 1:3-4) 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, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you.

(John 3:16-17) For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

(Romans 10:9-10) If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.