

Power of Resurrection Part 18: Flipping the Coin for Truth

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¹⁸ Christ suffered and died for sins once and for all—the innocent for the guilty—to bring you near to God by his body being put to death and by being raised to life by the Spirit (1 Peter 3:18 TPT). If the Holy Spirit can bring Jesus to life, then He can bring anything in your life to life. There is nothing in your life that is too dark, or too bad, or too severe that He can't bring it to life.

¹ Christ's resurrection is your resurrection too. This is why we are to yearn for all that is above, for that's where Christ sits enthroned at the place of all power, honor, and authority! ² Yes, feast on all the treasures of the heavenly realm and fill your thoughts with heavenly realities, and not with the distractions of the natural realm (Colossians 3:1-2 TPT). The more you think about the Word and about God, the more God fills your thoughts with His and the less distracted you are by natural thoughts.

³ Your crucifixion with Christ has severed the tie to this life, and now your true life is hidden away in God in Christ. And as Christ himself is seen for who he really is, who you really are will also be revealed, for you are now one with him in his glory! (Colossians 3:3 TPT).

¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us, who are being saved, it is the power of God. ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God. It pleases God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe (1 Corinthians 1:18, 21 NKJV).

God used His wisdom to let them think that they have all the wisdom, and yet can't see God. You have to desire God in your heart, not in your head. You have to live for God in your heart, not in your head. Life of the Spirit comes from your heart, not from your head.

² For I determined not to know anything among you, except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. ³ I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling, ⁴ and my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of a human wisdom but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God (1 Corinthians 2:2-5 NKJV).

The Words of God are not there for your persuasion, they come with the power of the Spirit to bring life. Paul says, "I did not want to know you. I wanted to come to you with the words of life and Spirit so that you experience the power of God as I am speaking to you. It is the Holy Spirit speaking to you, not me." When the Holy Spirit speaks to you, those power words change you. If your faith is in the wisdom of men, before it is in the power of God, then the order of your life keeps following where the men's system takes you.

¹ And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God (1 Corinthians 2:1 NKJV). Everything that you do in your life should be declaring the testimony of God, not the testimony of you. It's about me hearing what He says, obeying what He says; and then He blesses me and then it's about Him. The world

system always takes glory for what they do. We as believers should always be giving God glory for who He is.

I say: Jesus gave His life for me. I am born again. I live as a new believer. All of God's power that raised Jesus from the dead, now works in me. All of that power is available to me - to heal me, to save me, to set me on your right path, to take all of the things that plague me in my mind - habits, addictions, wrong relationships, all of my insecurities and fears. He's got it covered in Him, not in the world's wisdom.

Paul says, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation, in the knowledge of Him. (Ephesians 1:16-17 NKJV) Paul prays that the Heavenly Father, the source of all life, may *give* to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. He's not trying to take something from you, He's trying to give something to you - the wisdom of the Spirit of Life.

Now that ¹⁹ the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what *is* the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe. You can be a Christian and don't believe. ¹⁹ The greatness of His power towards us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power, ²⁰ which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, ²¹ far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. ²² And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all (Ephesians 1:19-23 NKJV).

We are the inheritance. We are Jesus' inheritance. We, the Church, are supposed to be the fullness of Christ in all things. When the Apostle Paul prays, "I pray that He give you all revelation, all wisdom, and all insight into everything" - it's because you need it, because you are the Church, you are Christ revealed, you are the fullness of Jesus on the earth. When He says, and "He put Him at His right hand, and He put all things under His feet, and every principality and every power and every ruler" - what do you think those principalities and powers and rulers are? They are people that tried to control money, that tried to make you sick, that steal and kill. They are all manner of evil that is in this world. But the power that's in the Church overcomes all of that. On the contrary, God expects you to bring the release of everything that you need in your life through knowing Him.

Pastor John: Here's what I'm telling you. The mighty power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead is the same power that lives in you. He gives you wisdom and revelation and insight into mysteries that you can't see by yourself. If you will speak words when He tells you to speak words in places that He tells you to speak them, He will give you things in life, He will protect your life, He will save your life, He will bring wealth to your life, He will bring a partner to your life, He will bring children into your life if that's what you desire. He will bring all good things because when He raised Jesus from the dead, every time a new believer gets born again, He says, "I'm going to nurture you like a great father would nurture any child, I'm going to give you the best of life, I'm going to give you the best training, the best education. Where you gonna get it? It's in the church. It's not in the world education system. It's not in the world economic system.

I say: the blessing of God rests upon the resurrection messages and is working in my heart now. It causes me to be resurrected out of that natural way of thinking and focusing on natural things. I choose to focus on the heavenly realm and heavenly things. That's where the blessing of God is. That's where the order of God is. That's where everything is that God wants for my life