

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today



Why does Easter matter? Wouldn't everything be just the same because of the cross? Wouldn't the sacrifice of Christ and the shed blood be enough?

Easter matters because it is victory. It is triumph. Jesus fought death and won. Alleluia!

Easter matters because it is joy. The crucifixion, as critical as it is, is at its root a terrible and sad event. Easter leaves room for nothing but joy. Alleluia!

Easter matters because the fight is over. On the cross, Jesus is in many ways a casualty of our sin. Rising, He is Love, the victor in the now-finished fight. Alleluia!

Easter matters because death does not have the final say. He can be killed. Blood and water can flow out. The sky can go dark and the veil can be torn. But death cannot tell him to lie still. What death does is vain. Alleluia!

Easter matters because Jesus demonstrates the power to live again. And if He lives again, we, whose souls have been saved, can live again. Death has no ultimate sting. The grave has no victory. Alleluia!

Easter matters because we can follow. We are made like Him, so we will rise like He rises. He is the Head, and we are the body. As he soars from the grave, we cannot help but follow. Alleluia!

Easter matters because we, who are willing to accept the cross and the grave with Him, also get the skies with Him. Alleluia!

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