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## **Our Heart For Easter Sunday**

1. The Gospel Will Be Clear
2. We Will See Our Place in The Gospel
3. We Will Gain and Understanding of How The Resurrection Matters



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## Assumptions

1. Jesus' uniquely intimate relationship to God
2. The preexistence of the Son coming into human existence

## Human Nature, Flesh

- Transitory
- Weak
- Frail

MERELY HUMAN

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**Romans 1:4** Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God-- the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures <sup>3</sup> regarding his Son, who as to his human nature was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **The World Needs:**

- A person (human)
- To be perfect
- Filled with God's Spirit
- To have appointed to him the power to defeat Satan, Sin, Evil, Death and Decay

**He had to be a perfect person who was God**



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## "In Power"

Paul is saying:

- That the preexistent Son, who entered into human experience
- As the promised Messiah,
- Was appointed on the basis of the resurrection to a new and more powerful position

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## Our thinking about the Resurrection Historically:

### Believers

- Look at the resurrection as a mere formality
- God had to dot His I's and crossed His T's in scriptures as far as prophecy
- Jesus died and became alive again (Only Validation)

### Unbelievers

- Believe it is just a myth without any importance
- Even if it happen (maybe you will give Jesus credit that it means he is really powerful)



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These Conclusion are in disagreement with Scripture:

**Philippians 2:6-11** Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Hebrews 7:25** Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.



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**1 Corinthians 15:25-28** For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup> For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

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## **JESUS IS UNCHANGING BUT....**

- The Resurrection brings Coronation and Exaltation Status as "Lord"
- His Salvific and "Lord In Power" Role in Relation to the World are Retroactive
- Son of God from Eternity becomes Son of God "In Power"



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## In Light Of This, Now What?

**Romans 1:5-6** Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith. <sup>6</sup> And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

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## Paul's Focus In This New Life

1. His Role- To call people to obedience that comes from faith
  - He has a proper understanding of Faith and Obedience
    - \* Faith and obedience are closely related, mutually interpreting each other
  - We must understand general calls and specific nuances
2. His Motivation- His life's actions are now for the benefit of Jesus Christ his Lord



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## What should we do?

1. Believe in Jesus as everything you need for life.
  - Confess your sin
  - Repent of your sin
  - Believe in Jesus
  - Receive your Jesus
2. Surround yourself around the community of faith.
  - Start reading the bible in community
  - Pray in community
  - Make Christ known in our community
  - Learn about what it means to begin to be discipled