

SERMON NOTE: Becoming A Contagious Church-The True Life Changing Story of Easter

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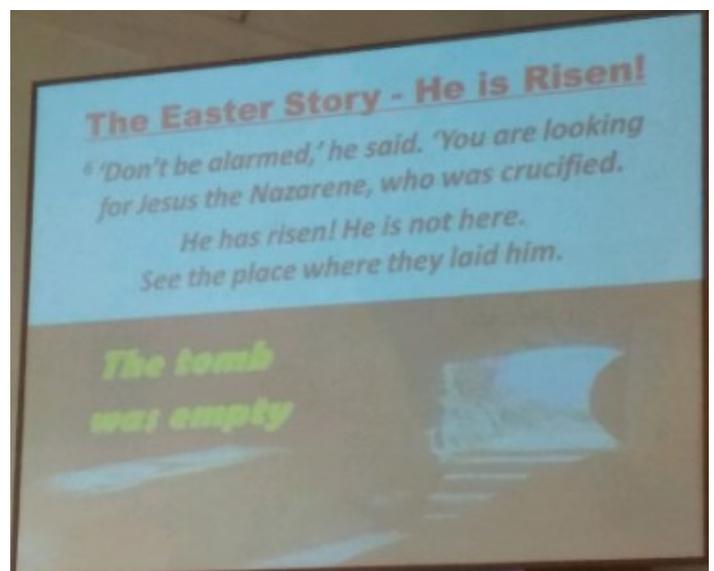
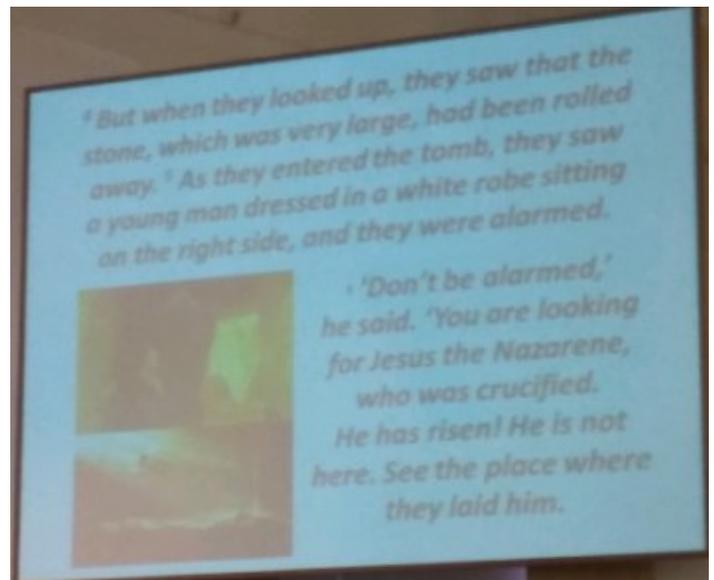
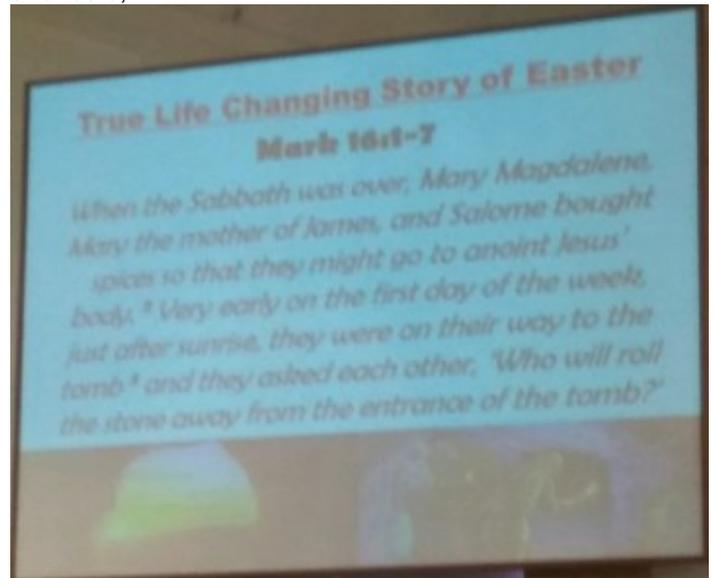
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When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

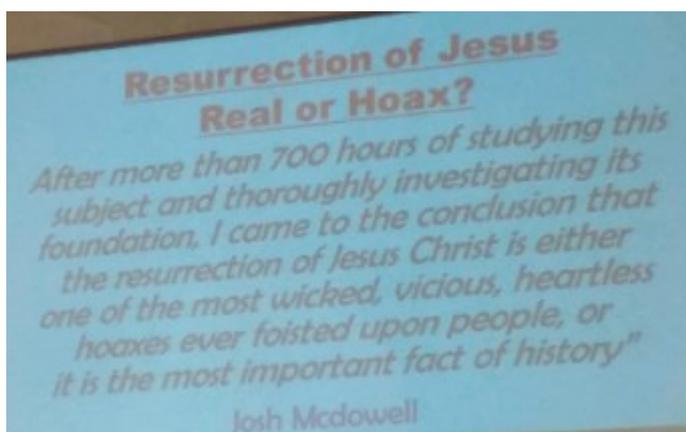
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1st Corinthians 15

If CHRIST has not risen, or faith is varies, meaningless and futile,



Why is this story so true and important?



It's TRUE!

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Jesus chose to appear to women

Even woman can be a witness!

If the story is made up, why are women who had no social standing chosen to be the witness instead of men who will be better witness if it were a made up story?

They saw, talked, touched, interacted with the Risen Christ

They couldn't stop talking about the resurrected Christ

They lived out the power of the resurrected life



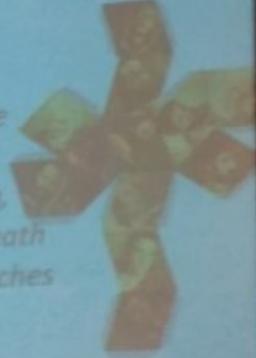
Why suddenly the disciples were with such power to heal, so bold, with courage and ability to proclaim the resurrection of JESUS. Before HE was risen, they were frightened, depressed with shaken or even shattered lives.

The most powerful evidence

Life Changing Power on the Disciples

Michael Green

"How have they (the disciples) turned, almost overnight into the indomitable band of enthusiasts who braved opposition, cynicism, ridicule, hardship, prison, and death in three continents, as they preached everywhere Jesus and the resurrection?"



If JESUS had not risen, Why all the sudden changed of lives of the disciples?

Look at Peter

His Boldness, Courage, and Faith.




Healed the crippled beggar Before the Sanhedrin

Even the Pharisees saw the difference Act: 4:13

When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

These all because of they were empowered by the same power that risen or LORD from death.

Jesus appeared to his disciples/others

1 Corinthians 15:5-8

and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve...to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living... Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

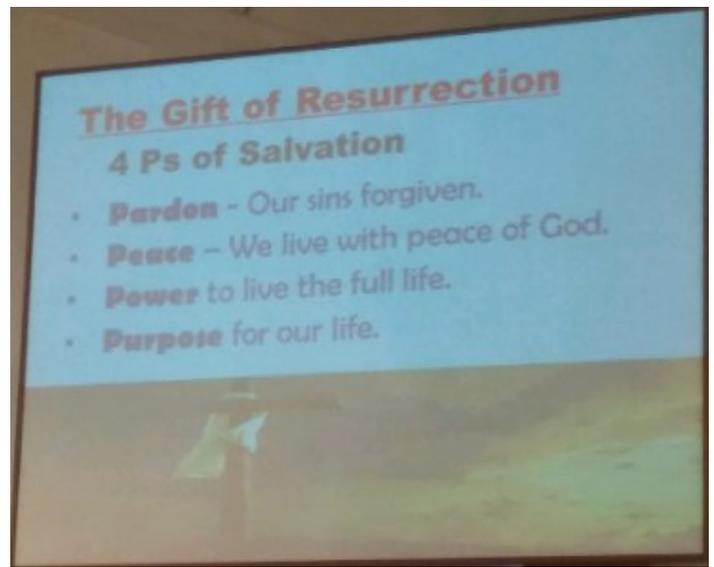
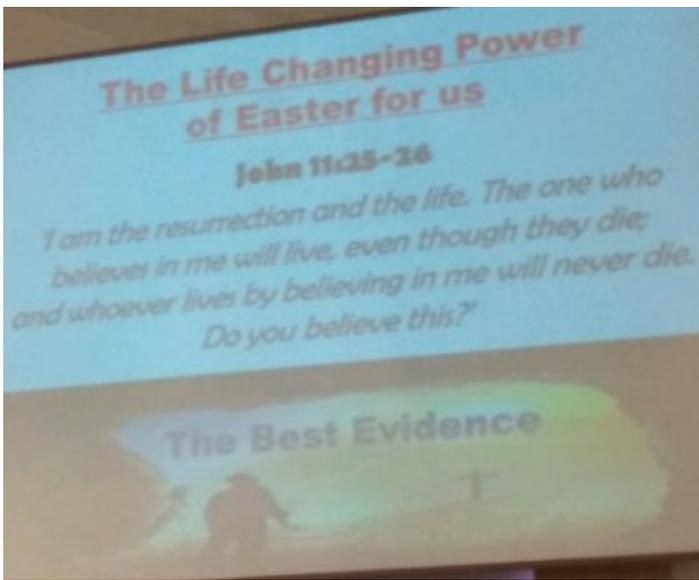


Easter is True

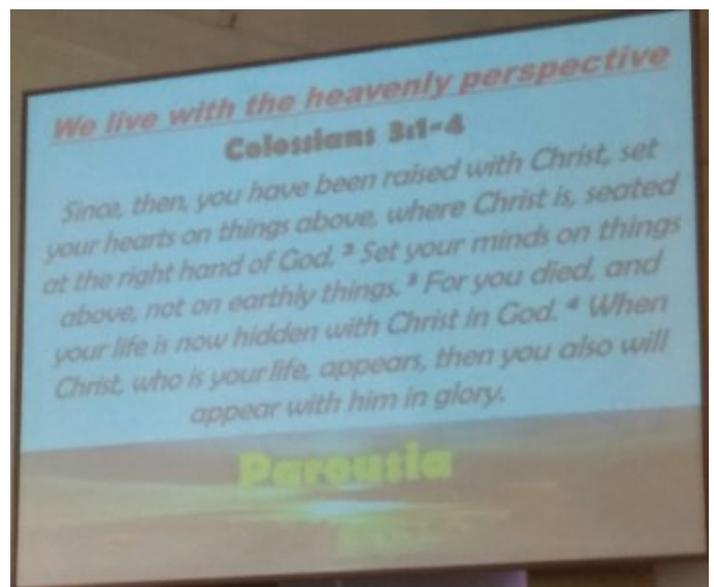
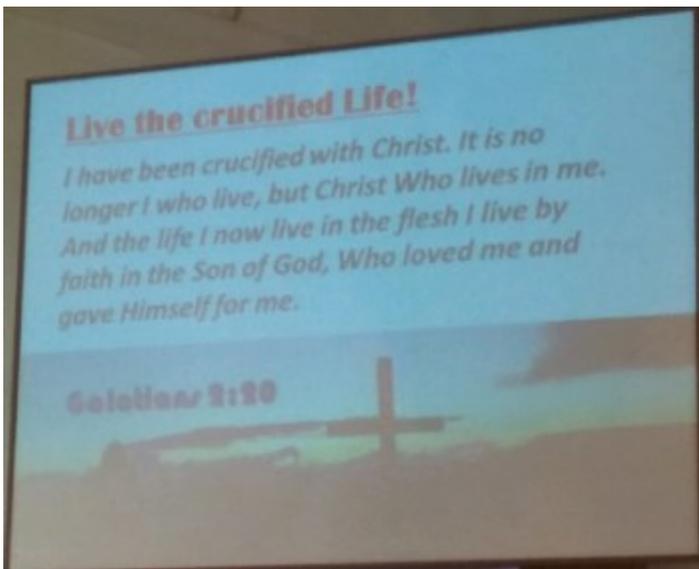
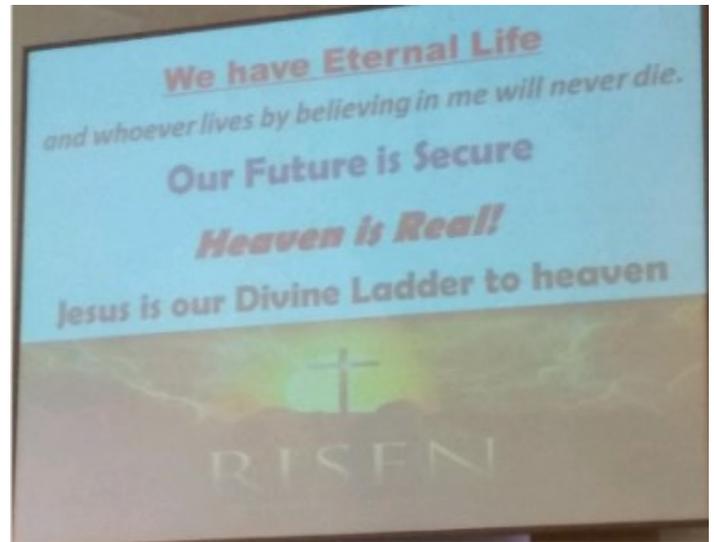
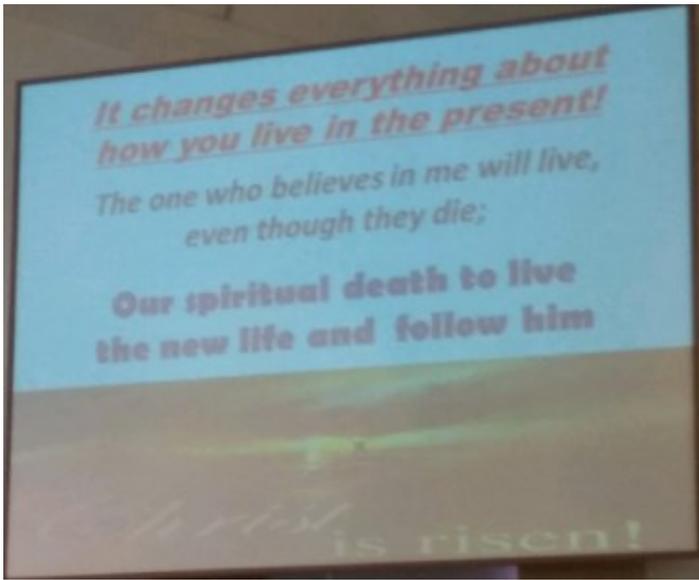
- Jesus is alive and he is still alive today!
- He continues to manifest his presence and power in our lives.
- Nobody in human history ever resurrected never to die again. Only Jesus!

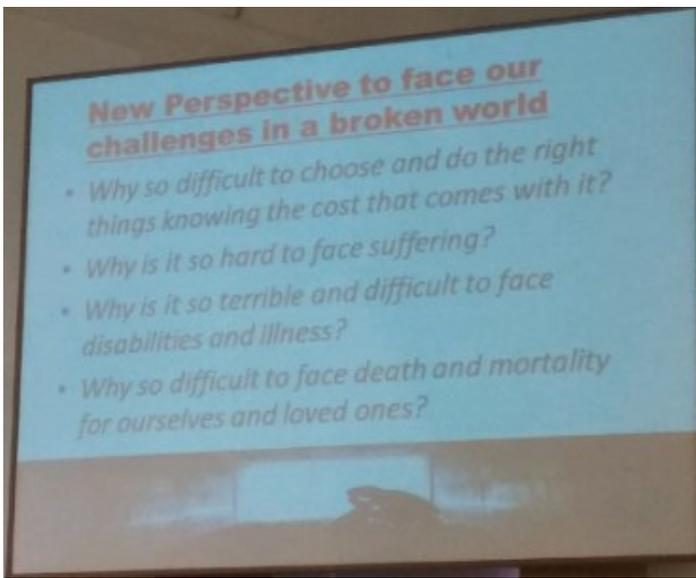
Jesus is resurrected so are we!

Christ is risen!

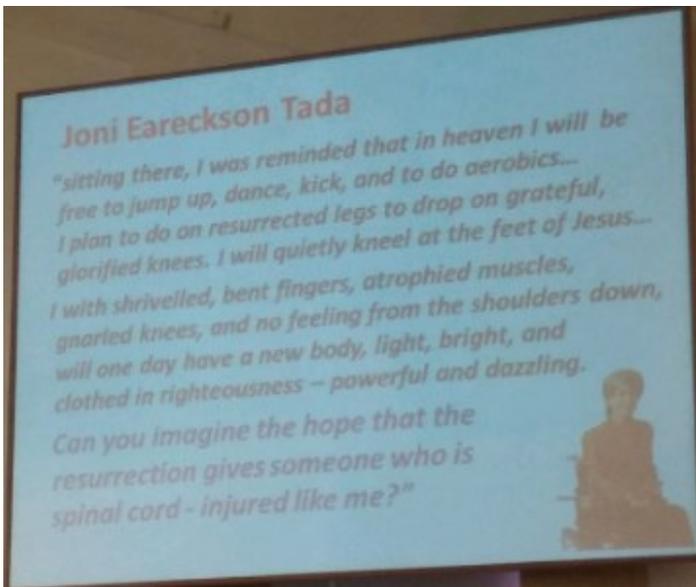
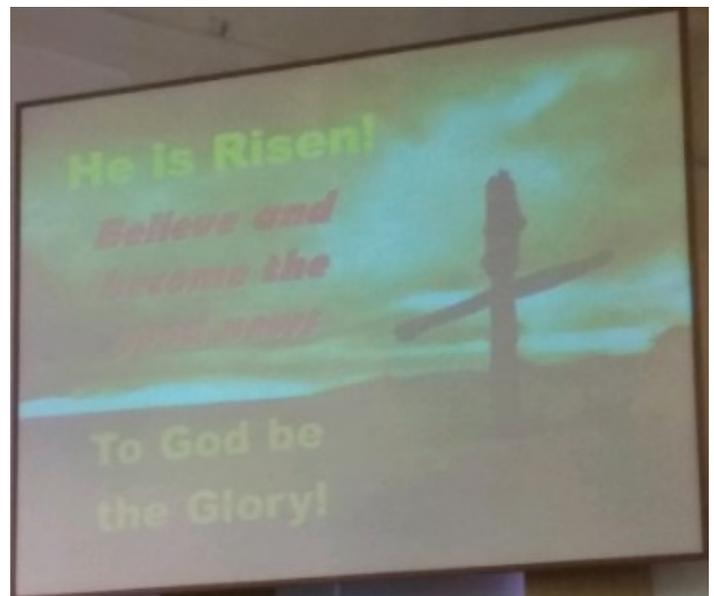


We need the forgiveness from GOD
We need the peace,
HIS blessings to live a full life
And know the purpose of life





It's all because we don't have CHRIST, we need HIS power and peace.



Or sickness and suffering are all temporary, family, work and material are the same, but we have to look to the eternal.

