

RESURRECTION REALITIES

Today I want to take a look at what I'm calling irrational realities of the resurrection.

#1 God loves people...

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world that He gave... (NIV)

Romans 5:8 – But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (NIV)

Romans 5:5 – Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts. (KJV)

1 John 3:1 – See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! (NIV)

John 15:16 – You did not choose me, but I chose you ... (NIV)

1 John 4:8 – God is Love....

Romans 8:37-39 - No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through **Him who loved us**. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from **the love of God** that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NIV)

TCC -The resurrection unleashes God to extend His love to us to lavish His love on us... and we can receive it in full!!

#2 – God's mercy is available

1 Peter 1:3 – Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! **According to His great mercy**, He has **caused us** to be **born again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead... (ESV)

God's great Mercy: Mercy is receiving something that **we absolutely do not deserve**....

Ephesians 2:4God is rich in mercy!!

The resurrection enables His mercy...

Psalm 23:6 – Surely goodness and mercy follow me all the days of my life!!

Because of the resurrection His Great mercy... Chases us down... He causes us to be born again...

#3 – Living Hope

1 Peter 1:3 – Blessed be the **God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has **caused us** to be born again to a **living hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead... (ESV)

Ephesians 1:14- The Holy Spirit is the down payment of our inheritance, until the redemption of the possession, to the praise of His glory. (CSB)

Romans 8:11 – And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead **is living in you**, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of His Spirit who lives in you. (NIV)

Because of the resurrection: The reality of His love is unleashed

Because of the resurrection: The reality of His mercy is now experienced

Because of the resurrection: Hope comes alive through the presence of the Holy Spirit