



# Resurrection brings action

## 2024 Easter Message

Today, the Easter message comes from the Gospel of Mark 16:1-8. Mark gives an account of resurrection. In the tomb, a young man dressed in a white robe conveyed two messages to the women. First, Jesus is risen, and second: tell the disciples and Peter to meet him in Galilee.

The first message announces that Jesus is risen from the dead. Hallelujah! Death is defeated by the Lord. Jesus overcame the influence of death. There is no more cruelty, hatred and hostility. Often, we observe people construct their authority with these attitudes. But we don't need these attitudes to maintain our life. All things that are based on death will not contribute to the life-giving reality for which we yearn.

However, the resurrection brings us love, hope, and kindness. When we reflect on the first creation in the Garden of Eden, we are reminded about developing our life in peace, unity, and friendship. Today, let us not go back to the path of death, but instead let our life focus on the resurrection. It is here we can truly find hope that contributes to reconciliation and unity.



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The second message is after the resurrection. Jesus is in a hurry; he will be waiting for Peter and the other disciples in Galilee. What does this mean? Galilee is the place where Jesus mostly did his ministry: healing, teaching and performing miracles and much more. In Galilee, Jesus will give his Great Commission to them.

*“Go, therefore and, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you”*

*(Matthew 28:18-20).*

Resurrection is not only about celebration. It is about action. Resurrection empowers us to respond to the Great Commission: to make disciples, baptize them, and teach them about the kingdom of God.

Today the message of Easter is: Let us be people who live by the power of the resurrection, and not live in death.

Resurrection brings action that results in proclaiming the gospel, inviting people into God’s community through baptism, and teaching all that Jesus has commanded us.

Give your best to the living Christ!

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