



# No Regrets: Be Intentional

## LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the most important foundational truth of Christianity. As Lee Strobel said, the resurrection is “... *the basis of Christian hope. It's the miracle of all miracles.*” Because of Jesus’ resurrection, we have a “*living hope*” (1 Peter 4:3) that is certain and guaranteed by God Himself. This is the same truth that Jesus declared to comfort Mary and Martha at the passing of their brother Lazarus. He said, “I am the resurrection and the life.” Jesus is saying that there is no problem so big or situation so hopeless that He cannot do anything about. Because Christ rose from the dead, all His claims and promises are true! We can put our hope in Him. To live a life of no regrets, we must BE INTENTIONAL in applying the K.I.S. principle.

## KNOW THE TRUTH

We are stewards and managers of the spiritual truths that the Lord has entrusted to us (1 Corinthians 4:1-2). For example, in 1 Thessalonians 4:13, Paul wrote that we need to know the truth about life and death. He used the term “sleep” (Gk. *koimao*) for death and encouraged the Thessalonian believers not to grieve as the rest of those who do not have hope because if our loved ones who are in Christ pass away, we have peace knowing that they are with the Lord. This same word was used by Jesus to describe what happened to Lazarus in John 11:11-14.

In the first few verses of John 11, Jesus received the news that Lazarus was sick. Upon hearing this, Jesus said, “This sickness is not to end in death, but for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by it” (v. 4). When Jesus arrived, Lazarus had been dead in the tomb for four days. Jesus comforted Lazarus’ sister, Martha, saying, “I am the resurrection and the life. Everyone who believes in Me will never die” (vv. 25-26). Martha did not understand this truth because when Jesus asked her to have the stone removed, she hesitated. She said, “there will be a stench” (v.39) and Jesus reminded her to BELIEVE. It was evident that Martha knew certain truths about Jesus, but she has not internalized it.

## this week's memory verse

Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil.

EPHESIANS 5:15-16

## INTERNALIZE THE TRUTH

To internalize the truth is to believe in the heart. Jesus said in John 11:40, “Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?” When we believe something from the heart, God is saying, “you believe, and then you will see...”. In verse 43, Jesus displayed His power over life and death when He called Lazarus out of the tomb. There is no greater power than giving life to the dead, and that was made possible by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Believers also have access to this amazing promise of resurrection. The Bible tells us that when we die, our souls are immediately placed in the presence of God, while our physical bodies are asleep. When Jesus comes again, our soul and our physical body will be placed together again – a glorious moment described in 1 Corinthians 15:51-53! This fills us with HOPE that our mortal bodies will put on immortality.

## SHARE THE TRUTH

In Luke 16, we find the story of a rich man who spent his life on earth for his own pleasure without realizing that after death, his eternal destination was a place of unending anguish (v.24). The man realized that he could no longer change his eternal situation so he desired to have somebody warn his brothers so they would not end up in the same place he is in (vv.27-28). While on earth, Jesus offers us the choice to live for Him or apart from Him. Our decision determines our eternal destiny: either with God in eternity or an eternity without Him in a place of torment. The greatest regret is not preparing and not taking the truth about Jesus seriously. The second greatest regret is knowing the truth and not sharing it with others. In Luke 24:44-48, we are reminded of our role as WITNESSES. As stewards of God’s life-giving truth, we are responsible for sharing the GOOD NEWS with others.

What is the good news? That in Christ, we are a new creation, by His grace through His death and resurrection (2 Corinthians 5:17). Let us be “steadfast and immovable” (1 Corinthians 15:58), living a life of INTENTIONALITY and doing our best to spread the truth we embrace in Christ Jesus – our Resurrected King!

### discussion questions

In what way does the resurrection of Jesus give you hope?

How can you live out the truth that in Christ, you are a new creation?

How can you share the truth about Jesus Christ to people in your life?


What evidence do you know that proves that Jesus died and rose again?

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