

MOMENTUM

LIFE AFTER RESURRECTION

MOMENTUM | SPIRITUAL ATROPHY | PASTOR RYAN ROBERTS

“AS BELIEVERS, EVERYTHING IN OUR LIVES FLOWS TO AND FROM EASTER SUNDAY.”

POST MY SALVATION MOMENT, EVERYTHING IN MY LIFE FLOWS OUT FROM THAT MOMENT... AND POINTS BACK, NOT AT MY OLD SELF, BUT AT JESUS CHRIST.

THE CROSS AND THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

- -IT SATISFIED DEFINE JUDGEMENT, CANCELING OUR SIN DEBT
- -IT UPHELD THE HOLINESS OF JESUS, SHOWING THE AUTHORITY HE HOLDS
- -IT DISPLAYED GOD’S RELENTLESS, BOUNDLESS LOVE
- -IT ENABLED NEW CREATION
- -IT COMMISSIONED JESUS’ CHURCH TO TELL EVERYONE

(COMMISSION: CONFERING AUTHORITY BY GIVING AN ORDER FOR ACTIVE SERVICE)

MARK 16:14-20

MUSCLE ATROPHY: IS BASICALLY MUSCLE LOSS DUE TO INACTIVITY.

SPIRITUAL ATROPHY: THE STAGNATION OF A BELIEVER'S SPIRITUAL LIFE.

THERE IS SO MUCH BUILD UP FOR EASTER SUNDAY...

WHY? ON THAT DAY **MILLIONS HAVE AN ENCOUNTER** WITH **ALMIGHTY GOD**, THAT'S THE HOPE AND THE DESIRE WE ALL HAVE FOR EASTER!

LUKE 15:10 CEB

WE WILL NEVER DIMINISH OUR SALVATION!

BUT DON'T MISTAKE THAT FOR THE END OF YOUR STORY!

1 John 3:1-3

1 Peter 2:2

WE MUST FIND OUR NEW IDENTITY, AND BEGIN TO LIVE IT.
DISTRACTION CAN LEAD TO SPIRITUAL ATROPHY...

MOMENTUM... A LIFE EXERCISING "SPIRITUAL MUSCLES"!

MOMENTUM: *THE QUANTITY OF MOTION OF A MOVING BODY*

WEBSTER'S: *strength or force gained by motion or by a series of events*

>>>> THE BIG KEY: JESUS' TOMB IS EMPTY, SO I DON'T HAVE TO BE. <<<<<

TRUTH: LIFE IN THE FALLEN WORLD IS NOT ALWAYS EASY, BUT WE HAVE SOMETHING WITHIN THAT BECKONS US TO GREATER, FOR HIS GLORY!

MATT 27:37-56

PEOPLE WHO ARE MOCKING JESUS ARE RECALLING A STATEMENT JESUS SAID ABOUT HIS OWN AUTHORITY:

JOHN 2:18-20

THE TEMPLE WAS CONSIDERED THE **PERMANENT DWELLING PLACE** OF GOD'S PRESENCE

BUT **JESUS IS GOD PRESENT** WITH US...

NOW, JESUS DWELLS IN THE HEART OF THE BELIEVER: **WE ARE THE TEMPLE OF GOD!**

THE CURTAIN TORN IN TWO PIECES...

HEBREWS 10:19-25

THE CHIEF PRIEST'S REACTION:

MATT 27:62-66

MATT 28:1-20

TWO REACTIONS TO THE GOSPEL

1. The Report of the Guard
2. The Great Commission

JOHN 21:1-25

JESUS HAS ALREADY REVEALED HIMSELF TO THE DISCIPLES... BUT IT APPEARS THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT...

WHY DID THEY NOT RECOGNIZE JESUS?

MAYBE IT WAS BECAUSE THEY WERE PREOCCUPIED

THEY ARE "SORTA STUCK" IN A FISHING BOAT WITH NO CATCH.

OFTEN TIMES WE GET DISTRACTED, AND WE WIND UP SORTA STUCK.

MAYBE WE'RE FISHING ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BOAT...

WE NEED TO STOP SEEING SPIRITUAL MOMENTUM AS SOMETHING BASED ON THE KIND OF RESULTS WE WANT, AND INSTEAD SEE IT AS OUR WILLINGNESS TO OBEY HIM.

AND IF HE SAYS TO CHANGE THE METHOD... THERE'S A GOOD CATCH ON THE OTHER SIDE.

FEED OR "PASTURE": Jesus was emphasizing tending the sheep in a **supervisory capacity**, not only feeding **but governing over them**

JESUS ASKED PETER NOT SO THAT HE WOULD KNOW – HE ALREADY KNEW, AND PETER WAS AWARE THAT JESUS KNEW. IT WAS FOR **PETER'S SELF-EXAMINATION**.

"There are preachers of the gospel among us who have dragged a full net to shore, the great fishes have been many; they have been great and successful workers, but this does not prevent its being needful for the Lord to examine them as to their hearts. He bids them put by their nets for awhile and commune with him."

– Charles Spurgeon

JESUS DIDN'T ASK PETER, "ARE YOU SORRY?" NOR "WILL YOU PROMISE NEVER TO DO THAT AGAIN?" **JESUS CHALLENGED PETER TO LOVE**.

TODAY'S KEY: JESUS CLEARLY POINTS PETER TO FOCUS ON OBEDIENCE TO LOVE, AND THAT IS REAL SPIRITUAL MOMENTUM.

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