

RESURRECTION SUNDAY
To Seek & Save That Which Was Lost

- I. **The first big thing that happened as a result of Adam's sin is that he and all mankind died inside**
- A. Man is more than just a body-1Th5:23-The very God of peace sanctify you wholly...your whole spirit and soul and body
 - B. God is a spirit and so man's spirit was made in the image of God-Gn1:27-God created man in his own image
 - C. When Adam sinned a change took place inside-Gn2:17-In the day that you eat there of you shalt surely die
 - 1. He didn't just do something, he became something-Rm5:19-By one man's disobedience many were **made** sinners
 - 2. His nature changed from the nature of God, to the nature of sin-Man became a different kind, species, class, sort; His descent (lineage, ancestry) changed-**Ep2:3**-We were by nature (lineal descent, species, kind) the children of wrath; **Ps51:5-ER**-A sinner before I left my mothers womb; **Jn8:44**-You are of your father the devil; **Jn20:17**-My father, your father
 - 3. He went from life to death on the inside-Co2:13-You being dead in your sins – Dead where? Dead in your spirit
 - 4. He went from righteous to unrighteous-Sin made us unrighteous-**2Co5:21**-That we might be **made** the righteousness (condition acceptable to God) of God – If your spirit is alive with God's nature this condition is acceptable to God
 - D. At this point there was no way back-No way to go from death to life, from the nature of sin to the nature of God-**Jn14:6**
- II. **The big problem was not what man did but what he became-The problem wasn't just sin but what sin did to his spirit**
- A. The price of sin is death and that includes the death (change) of your spirit-Rm6:23-The wages of sin (pay, hire) is death
 - B. Forgiveness of sins means you don't pay the price of sin-Forgiveness in one sense means I'm letting it go and I won't be mad you, but in another sense when there's a debt involved forgiveness means you don't have to pay
 - 1. Forgiveness of sin doesn't mean God's not mad at you anymore for your sin; He wasn't mad at you to begin with-To be forgiven of sin means you don't have to pay the price of death inside-Bearing the nature of sin and death
 - C. Because you don't have to pay, you don't have to be dead inside-You can be quickened because you've been forgiven-**Col2:12**-You are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses
 - D. He died so I could be changed, not just forgiven of sin-Many say, *Jesus died for my sins, so I could be forgiven of my sins*, and they make it sound like He died so God wouldn't be mad at me for my cussing, lying, cheating; Forgiveness of sin was the means to the end, to forgive of the debt so you could be made alive-Don't let sin steal the show
 - E. The big thing Jesus was dealing with was what man became not just what he did-Man became what he became because of what he did, but the big thing was not what he did, but what he became-**2Cor5:21**-For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him
 - 1. Jesus is bearing the nature of sin and death for us because that is the penalty of sin-The wages of sin is death and not just to the body and that price has to be paid otherwise for justice to be satisfied
 - 2. It was the whole of him that was offering for sin, not just his body-It would have been the whole of you that paid for sin-**Is53:10**-Make his soul an offering...He shall see the travail of his soul and be satisfied...he hath poured his soul out unto death
 - 3. Jesus became what man became so that man wouldn't have to be what he became
 - 4. We must have pure spirit being go from life to death, but not to pay for his own sin-The only one who could do this
 - F. If He can bare this nature in His spirit and be resurrected from it, then so can those who receive him
 - 1. He was the first to go from death to life, He was resurrected to a living spirit-If He became sin, then at some point the condition of his spirit has to go back the other way-**Col1:18**-The firstborn from the dead
 - G. We can be recreated inside-2Co2:17-If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; **AC**-Old spiritual condition has passed away

1. We can be made righteous-We are no longer sinners-**2Cor5:21**-That we might be made the righteousness of God in him; **Rm5:8**-God commends his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us... 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous
2. We can be made alive inside-**Ep2:5**-Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ
3. We are his offspring-**Acts 17:28**-For in him we live, and move and have our being...We are the offspring of God

H. The recreation of our spirit does three big things

1. Seals our eternal location-**1Cor6:9**-The unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God; **Jn3:3**-Except a man be born
2. Restores fellowship with the Father-**2Cor6:14**-What fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness
3. Gives me authority over the devil-**Eph2:2**-You walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience; 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ...6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus

III. The other thing that happened as a result of man's sin was the death of his body

- A. Sin made it so man's body would return to the dust and be destroyed in hell-**Gn3:19**-Dust you are and unto dust shalt you return
- B. Death infected man's body and it became subject to death and decay-**Rm5:12**-Sin entered into the world and death by sin
- C. Jesus' resurrection was the first of its kind-Others were resurrected from a dead body to a dying body (Lazarus) but he was resurrected from a dead body to a glorified, immortal, limitless body that would never die-**Lk24:30-31**-He vanished out of their sight. 36 As they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are you troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as you see me have; **Jn20:19**-The doors were closed where the disciples were and Jesus came in
- D. Our bodies will be glorified-**1Cor15:42**-So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption; **43** It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: **44** It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. **49** And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. **53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

IV. Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost-**Lk19:10**-The son of man came to seek and save (make whole, rescue) what which is lost (perish, ruin, destroy)

- A. Because of sin man lost his spirit and body to hell-Because of sin Adam's body and spirit went from whole to unwhole and they were both set to perish-**Mt10:28**-Rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell
- B. Inwardly and outwardly we needed to be rescued. made whole because we were to perish
- C. Life and immortality is brought to light through the gospel-**2Tim1:10**-But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Savior who has abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through he gospel
- D. Death has lost it's hold on us-**Re1:18**-I am he that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death; **1Th5:10**-Who died for us...that we should live together with him