

## Easter Lent Reflection

### Thank GOD for the Resurrection!

*In the beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with GOD and the WORD was GOD!  
John 1:1*

I thank GOD For the Resurrection. This Resurrection Season allows for the Christian Calendar not only to be complete, but to be fulfilled. Resurrection Day reflects the movement of all seasons, from Kingdomtide through the Lenten Season and the inevitable journey of JESUS towards Jerusalem which includes Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday.

The Resurrection provides for the clarity, the call, and the commitment of our faith in THE CHRIST. It brings light to all the seasons of the Christian Calendar. It is Christmas anew. Resurrection brings Christmas into focus. The real reason for Christmas, the real reason for Easter, the real reason for each significant moment is JESUS.

And as we celebrate the Resurrection today, we celebrate the work of GOD in the Universe. There are so many areas where Resurrection is necessary. We need to resurrect our commitment to the CHRIST. We need to resurrect our willingness to serve as Brothers and Sisters. We need to resurrect forgiveness of one another for indiscretions and sins, both with intent and those with a sense of being ill informed.

We need to offer the opportunity for persons to celebrate with us the real message of Easter, for GOD so loved the world that GOD gave GOD'S SON. We need to love the world and give ourselves to the call of Christian stewardship of our time, our talent, our treasures and our temple. We owe GOD everything. Let us use this time of Resurrection to remember that our whole bodies belong to the LORD. JESUS paid it all at Calvary. Our treasures are a gift from GOD, and in many ways a loan. Like those servants who were put in charge of the master's goods. Let us learn the lesson of servanthood. GOD gives us time to do the work GOD'S way.

As we celebrate this season, let us all use our temples in the power of Resurrection. Where there is sickness, Resurrection brings healing! Where there is trouble, Resurrection brings peace. Where there is hunger, Resurrection provides meals. Where there is a stranger, Resurrection offers the door of Hospitality. Where there is nakedness, we provide clothing, not just with a garment of praise, but with those things we have that we can offer to those in need.

Therefore, I say to you that the Christmas Season is the real reason for Easter. JESUS was born to give life, to give life abundantly, and to give life eternally. A life that only comes through the Cross. Thank GOD for JESUS. Thank GOD for the Resurrection!

Amen!



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