



# TYPICAL EASTER SERMON

- Jesus died a terrible, awful, tragic, traumatic heartbreaking death on the cross
- BUT, He came back from the grave HURRAY!
- Now we get to go to Heaven when we die, YAY JESUS!
- IN the meantime, the LEAST you could do is try to live like you appreciate all He did for you – completely misses the point!!

#### HE'S ALIVE-HE'S YOUR LIFE

- If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be **SAVED**. <sup>10</sup> For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are **SAVED.** <sup>11</sup> As Scripture says, "Anyone who **believes in him** will <u>ne</u>ver be put to shame."
- GK pisteuo to place <u>full confidence in</u> <u>Him</u> - influences your emotions, choices and **actions!!!**

### Rebellion at Kadesh Barnea

- Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion."
- 16 Who were they who heard and rebelled? Were they not all those Moses led out of Egypt? 17 And with whom was he angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies perished in the wilderness? 18 And to whom did God swear that they would never enter his rest if not to those who disobeyed? (HEBREWS 3)

# The Heart of (is) the Problem

- "19 So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief."
- Which didn't mean they didn't believe in the existence of God
- It means ...What
- They didn't put their confidence IN
  GOD the didn't ACT in FAITH

#### Believe It .....Or NOT???

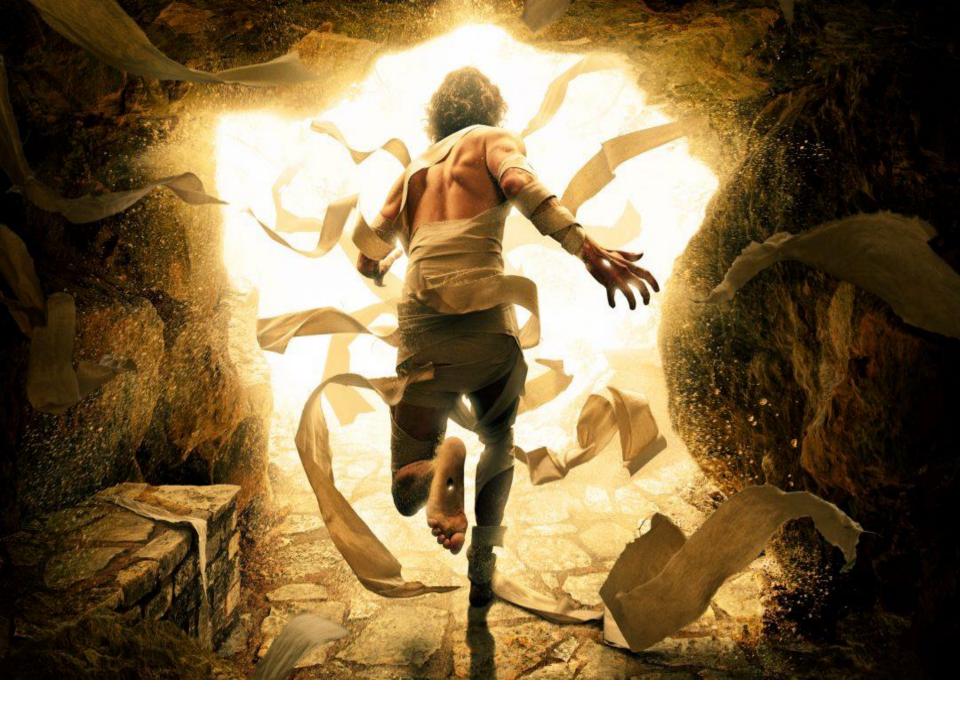
- OH NO, NOW WHAT AM I GONNA DO?
- YOU ARE GOING TO TRUST JESUS CHRIST AND START ACTING LIKE YOU BELIEVE HE DIED ON THE CROSS FOR YOU,
- AND CAME BACK FROM THE GRAVE FOR YOU
- AND SENT THE HOLY SPIRIT TO EMPOWER YOU,
- AND PROMISED HE WOULD NEVER LEAVE YOU OR FORSAKE YOU,
- AND PROMISED THAT YOU COULD DO ALL THINGS THROUGH TRUSTING IN HIM!!

## Power to His People

- <sup>11</sup> But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. Rm 8
- For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. 2 Corinthians 4

#### It Is Really Simple

- He is ALIVE and LIVING in YOU
- Pray over the situation, ask God to release His blessing into everyone and everything
- Ask Him to show you what He wants you to ask Him for
- Agree with the Lord's prayer ... ?



#### Jesus + Nothing = EVERYTHING

- deeply loved by God,
- fully accepted by God,
- completely and permanently forgiven by God,
- lavishly blessed by God,
- and eternally, perfectly embraced by God as his child; a child who brings Him unspeakable JOY