

“YOU SEEK JESUS OF NAZARETH, WHO WAS CRUCIFIED. HE IS RISEN!” – MARK 16:6

# Living the Resurrection

# 1. The Resurrection Begins Here

- ▶ Living or surviving?
- ▶ True life is everlasting
- ▶ “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”  
(Jn. 4:13-14)
- ▶ “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.”  
(Jn. 11:25-26)



## 2. By Dying First

- ▶ “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain.  
(Jn. 12:24)
- ▶ “For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection...” (Rom. 6:5)



## 2. By dying first

- ▶ How can we die with the Lord Christ?
  - ▶ Physically
  - ▶ Baptism
  - ▶ “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.” (Rom 6:3-4)
- ▶ “*The baptismal font is a womb and a tomb.*” (St. Gregory of Nyssa)



# What is the newness of life?

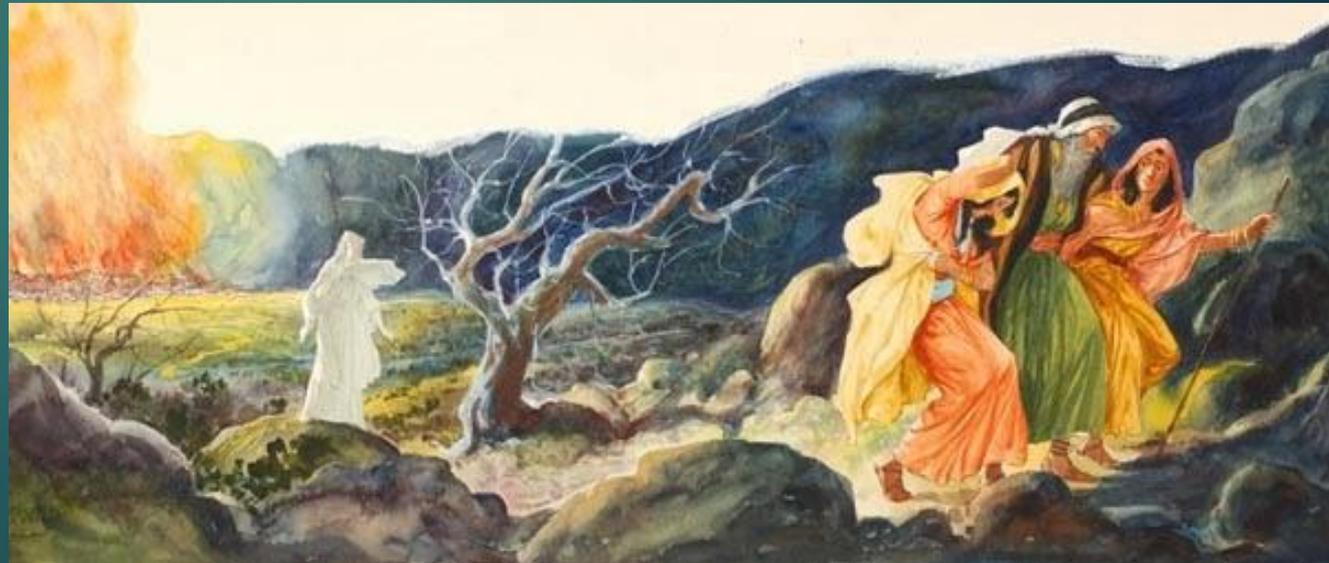
“For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, <sup>6</sup> knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been freed from sin.

# What is the newness of life?

“Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Rom. 5-11)

# 3. By not turning back to the way of sin

- ▶ “For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning.” (2 Pet. 2:20)
- ▶ Lot's wife



# 4. Putting on the lens of the Resurrection

- ▶ The Disciples and Mary Magdalene
- ▶ “For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, 18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.” (2 Cor. 4:17-18)
- ▶ “If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.” (Col. 3:1-2)

# Conclusion

## ▶ Living the Resurrection

1. Understand that the Resurrection begins here
2. By dying first
3. By not turning back to the way of sin
4. Putting on the lens of the Resurrection

