

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

GOOD NEWS!

Song Of Solomon 6:10,

*“Who is she who looks forth as the morning,
Fair as the moon,
Clear as the sun,
Awesome as an army with banners?”*

*(Confident, Optimistic & Expectant - Beautiful, Pure
and Powerful)*

Who is she?

The Bride of Christ – His Church! That’s who!

Why is she so confident, optimistic & expectant?

*Because her suitor, her Savior, her Sovereign; her
Lover, protector, defender & friend; her freedom,
forgiveness, joy & Redeemer; her provision, her
comfort, her future & destiny; her Salvation &
Eternal security – has given His very Life FOR her,
and TO her...*

*So that – All He has is hers – perfect & pure and
absolutely safe Forever, and Ever, and Ever...
WITHOUT END!*

How can we – His people – know this?

Because Christ Jesus IS risen from the dead!!!

*He has DESTROYED sin & death!!!
- They are Vanquished!!*

It’s not that He has risen, or was risen. He IS risen!

*Risen, and victorious over death IS His Eternal
State of BEING!!*

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This **must** be true for our faith to be true.*

*I Corinthians 15:17, “And if Christ is not risen, your
faith is futile; you are still in your sins!”*

*Our faith in His death, burial, resurrection and
return is about far more than the forgiveness of our
sin.*

*I John 3:2, “We know that when He is revealed, we
shall be like Him”.*

*Jesus IS risen from the dead, and so shall we be –
with Him, where He is – **bodily resurrected** and
alive as God intended us to be **FOREVER!!!***

*Our resurrected bodies, like Christ’s own
resurrected body, will be transformed and live
forever.*

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I Corinthians 15:42-43 & 51-54, “So also is the
resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in
corruption, it is raised in incorruption. It is sown in
dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness,
it is raised in power.”*

*“Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all
sleep, but we shall all be changed— in a moment,
in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For
the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised
incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this
corruptible must put on incorruption, and this*

mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'"

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Isaiah 60:1, "Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you."

Malachi 4:2, "But for you who revere My name, the Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in His wings; And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves."

Romans 13:12, "The night is nearly over, and the daylight is near, so let us discard the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light."

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He IS Risen!!!

How should we then live?

As alive from the dead!

I Peter 1:3, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy **He has given us new birth into a living hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead"

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Resurrection, like repentance, is both **From** and **To**

What do we, you & I, need to **be resurrected from Now** – before heaven?

- Doubt, worry, fear... lust, greed or malice?
Recognition, jealousy, covetousness or

unforgiveness? Regret, shame or self-criticism? Hatred, envy, stubbornness or self-righteousness (making ourself the standard we measure others by) ... unwillingness to receive correction? Criticism, judgementalism or unwillingness to obey? Dissatisfaction, ingratitude or discontent?

None of these things come from Christ. **They offer only death.**

- The **daily death of freedom** that His resurrection brings
- Because we don't **leave them in the grave** where they belong

Paul said he died daily, **to live in the resurrection** that is ours already.

- I know the ones that hound me
- If I don't, I won't leave them behind like He calls me to

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Jesus lived, died & rose again, so we could join Him...

- **Now and Forever!**

The gift is offered to us freely. **Receive Him**, and live Free... as

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