

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

Death Conquered by Life!!

You are a follower of Jesus. You were present at His crucifixion.

- Life has been anguish & torment since then
- Hope has been crushed out of you
- You could not know what has happened since then

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Gene Edwards, "The Divine Romance"

On the Cross

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At the Tomb

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Matthew 28:1-10

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John 20:1-18

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What is our life because Christ is risen victorious over death?

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Romans 6:3-11 & 8:11, 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.

For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 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. 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.

And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

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What has died in us through Christ's death?

- Our guilt, shame, fear, doubt, worry, separation & loneliness

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The apostle Paul said, I affirm... in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. (**I Cor. 15:31**)

- What things continue to die in us?
- Our selfish nature, self-authority & control of outcomes

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Philippians 2:3-5 is a big one

- Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind **let each esteem others better than himself**. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. **Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus**

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II Corinthians 5:17, Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, **all things have become new.**

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Some of the benefits that are ours because we are resurrected with Christ now:

John 8:32 & 36, "And you shall know the truth, **and the truth shall make you free...** Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed."

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John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; **as I have loved you, that you also love one another.** By this all will know that you are **My disciples**, if you have love for one another."

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In His resurrection **we are free to love each other as He does.**

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John 17:20-23, "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; **that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.** And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me."

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In His resurrection power **we are free to be indivisibly joined together as one!**

- With Jesus & the Father... and
 - With each other in them
 - Free to bring His oneness to each other
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We are resurrected in Christ's own freedom!

- Let's live freely & love freely
- And give the world something to believe