

## Sermon Notes 12 April 2020: Easter Sunday

### Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Charles Wesley

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your voice and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

### Joyful, Joyful, We Adore thee

Henry van Dyke

Joyful, joyful, we adore You,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before You,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Centre of unbroken praise;  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
All who live in love are Thine;

Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

**Leader: Christ is risen!**

**All: He is risen, indeed!**



### Mark 16

1 When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. 2 And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb.

3 They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” 4 When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. 5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. 6 But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” 8 So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### On this unprecedented Easter:

1. **The stone has been rolled back**
2. **The body of Christ is missing, but this is no cause for alarm**
3. **He is going ahead of us, and there we will see Him**
4. **We are called to go, to tell others, to add our own ending**

## **O for a thousand tongues to sing**

Charles Wesley

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad,  
The honours of Thy name.

He breaks the power of canceled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and listening to His voice  
New life the dead receive  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice  
The humble poor believe

Look unto Him ye nations' own  
Your God ye fallen race  
Look and be saved through faith alone  
Be justified by grace

See all your sins on Jesus laid  
The lamb of God was slain  
His soul was once an offering made  
For every soul in pain

Glory to God and praise and love  
Be ever ever given  
By saints below and saints above  
The church in Earth and heaven

## **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

Matthew Bridges

Crown Him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon His throne.  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
of Him who died for thee,  
and hail Him as thy matchless king  
through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those He came to save;  
His glories now we sing  
who died and rose on high,  
who died eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven  
One with the Father known  
And the blest Spirit  
Through Him given  
From yonder triune throne  
All hail, Redeemer, hail,  
For Thou hast died for me  
Thy praise shall never, never fail  
Throughout eternity.

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