

# **THE SPIRIT WHO RAISED JESUS FROM THE DEAD**

*From Live-Streaming*

## **Welcome**

Good morning and happy Easter to you all. We're so glad you could join us this morning as we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ in our New Creation Online Church. We welcome all our regular church family both in Helensvale and Redcliffe, as well as everyone else from around Australia and other parts of the world. We're so glad to be able to still reach you all with our God's living word ... His Gospel of Grace. Please know our hearts are with you all and we are always here to help you by the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Introduction**

This morning, I'd like to speak about **THE DEATH & RESURRECTION OF JESUS FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF HOW IT AFFECTS US HERE & NOW**. I pray this message will be an encouragement to you as you endure this physical isolation.

## **Romans 8:11 SLIDE**

... [Since] *the Spirit of Him [the Father] who raised Jesus from the dead dwells [lives] in you, He who raised Christ from the dead [the Father] will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.*

We see the trinity here very clearly - the Spirit ... the Father ... Jesus.

We also see the Holy Spirit is called '**The Spirit of the Father**' and also, '**The Spirit of Christ**'.

- '**The Spirit of Him who raised Jesus**' = **the Spirit of God**.
- '**Through His Spirit**' = **The Spirit of Christ**.

We see it more clearly in Romans 8:9 -

## **Romans 8:9 NASB'77**

... *You are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed **the Spirit of God** dwells in you. But if anyone does not have **the Spirit of Christ**, he does not belong to Him.*

(See also [Galatians 4:6](#))

There is however, only One Holy Spirit who is both **the Spirit of God** the Father & **the Spirit of Christ**

**WE ARE ALSO TOLD IN OUR TEXT THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES 3 THINGS ...**

## **Romans 8:11 SLIDE**

... [Since] *the Spirit of Him who (1) raised Jesus from the dead (2) dwells [lives] in you, He who raised Christ from the dead [the Father] (3) will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.*

**SLIDE**

- HE RAISED CHRIST FROM THE DEAD
- HE LIVES & DWELLS IN US
- HE MAKES ALIVE OUR MORTAL BODIES

NB: THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST comes before the Holy Spirit's indwelling and his bringing life to us ... That's because Christ's resurrection made the other two personal experiences possible ...

LET ME PARAPHRASE THIS SCRIPTURE TO MAKE THIS CLEARER

**SLIDE**

*SINCE THE SPIRIT OF GOD RAISED JESUS FROM THE DEAD ...  
THE HOLY SPIRIT CAN NOW LIVE & DWELL IN YOU  
AND BRING LIFE TO YOUR WHOLE BEING ...*

THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST FROM THE DEAD MADE THE VICTORY OF THE CROSS AVAILABLE FOR ALL WHO BELIEVE. IT ENABLED US TO BE BORN AGAIN OF THE SPIRIT ...

1 Peter 1:3 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

(No one was born again before the resurrection)

THIS NEW BIRTH IS CALLED BEING, 'BORN OF THE SPIRIT'.

John 3:6

*That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

**IT IS BECAUSE OF THE RESURRECTION THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS ABLE  
TO DWELL IN US & WE ARE BORN AGAIN OF THE SPIRIT**

**SLIDE**

- JESUS DEATH ON THE CROSS **BOUGHT** OUR SALVATION FOR US
- JESUS RESURRECTION **BROUGHT** OUR SALVATION TO US ... BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

THIS SPIRIT OF RESURRECTION NOW LIVES IN ALL BELIEVERS FOREVER

NB: HE **LIVES** IN YOU & HE **DWELLS** IN YOU (There are two words used)

Romans 8:11 **SLIDE**

... [Since] **the Spirit** of Him [Father] who raised Jesus from the dead (1) **[lives] in you**, He who raised Christ from the dead [Father] will also give life to your mortal bodies through **His Spirit who (2) dwells in you**.

(1) **Lives** = oikei to inhabit, indwell. From oikos; to occupy a house, reside, to cohabit.

(2) **Dwells** = enoikountos **to dwell in, be settled** (stationary) in; to be indwelling. From en and oikeo; to inhabit.

**THIS MEANS ... this wonderful all powerful Spirit of Resurrection didn't just ZAP US with a born again experience and fly back to heaven.**  
**HE TOOK UP PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN YOU ... IN YOUR MORTAL BODY.**

Look at what Jesus said about this experience ...

John 14:16-17 NLT **SLIDE**

*And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, **who will never leave you**. He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.*

Ephesians 1:13-14

*... **Sealed with the Holy Spirit** of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance **until the redemption of the purchased possession** ...*

**THIS MEANS ... THE ABIDING LIFE OF 'THE SPIRIT OF RESURRECTION' WILL – UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES – EVER LEAVE YOU** even if you do *fail ... freak out or lose the plot*.

**THIS ADIBING LIFE IS NOT BASED UPON YOUR BEHAVIOR ... SUCCESS OR FAILURE BUT UPON CHRIST'S DEATH & RESURRECTION**

*We were always taught when you grieve the Holy Spirit He leaves us ...*

*People quoted Samson, when the anointing left him ...*

But that is NOT the case for us in the New Testament ... We are impregnated with the Holy Spirit and sealed by Him to the day of redemption ...

**THIS ALSO MEANS**

*WE DO NOT NEED TO KEEP ASKING THE HOLY SPIRIT TO FALL ON US AS WE USED TO SING: 'Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me. Break me, melt me ... mould me, fill me ...'*

**THIS SPIRIT OF RESURRECTION BRINGS LIFE TO OUR ENTIRE BEING**

Romans 8:11 **SLIDE**

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THE HOLY SPIRIT IS ALWAYS ACTIVE WITHIN US ... NEVER DORMANT

**SLIDE**

ROMANS EIGHT TELLS US **THREE THINGS** THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES FOR US

- Verse 26 ... He makes intercession for us
- Verse 16 ... He bears witness with our spirit that we are the Children of God
- Verse 11 ... (Here) ... He gives life to our mortal bodies

NB: This doesn't say, He will heal your body ... as some would use it to say ...  
**HE CAUSES LIFE TO FLOW IN ME.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT HIMSELF is called '**THE SPIRIT OF LIFE**' in Christ Jesus ...

Romans 8:2

*The law of **the Spirit of Life** in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.*

**LIFE BEGETS LIFE & CAN NEVER BE OVERCOME BY DEATH OR DECAY.**

**WHEN LIFE MEETS DEATH IT RAISES THE DEAD ...**

Remember Jesus' last words on the cross before He breathed His last breath?

Luke 23:46

*And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "**Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.**" Having said this, He breathed His last.*

It's interesting that Jesus Christ only died after his spirit had left ...

**That's because the 'SPIRIT OF LIFE' was keeping his physical body alive and ...**

**In order for Jesus to actually die ... He had to release His Spirit to the Father.**

**JESUS BODY COULD NOT HAVE DIED WHILE THE SPIRIT OF LIFE WAS STILL IN HIM.**

NB: The Roman soldiers couldn't kill Jesus ... The devil couldn't kill Jesus ...

In fact nobody killed Jesus ... **JESUS GAVE UP HIS LIFE TO THE FATHER.**

**HE RELEASED HIS OWN SPIRIT WHICH ALLOWED HIS BODY TO DIE ...**

### **THE REVERSE ACTION**

SO, AT THE RESURRECTION ... all that needed to happen was for the Holy Spirit to come back into Jesus body and His body became alive again and He rose from among the dead.

**WHEN LIFE MEETS DEATH IT RAISES THE DEAD.**

## NB: THIS IS THE SAME LIFE THAT NOW DWELLS IN US & THAT MAKES ALIVE

**'OUR MORTAL BODIES'**. What are these mortal bodies?

Our mortal bodies here are more than just **flesh and bone** ...

*'MORTAL BODIES' is a very general term and can relate to all aspects of our outer life.*

Mortal = (thnēta) subject to death. From thnesko; liable to die.

Bodies = (sōmata) Body, flesh; used in a very wide application, literally or figuratively.

**IT TAKES IN OUR THOUGHTS / EMOTIONS / NERVES / OUR WHOLE UNREDEEMED BEING ...**

### **THE APPLICATION**

**THERE IS A GREAT CONTRAST BETWEEN OUR INNER LIFE & OUR EXTERNAL LIFE ...**

*We are persistently under the pressure of laws and restrictions ... need and demand ... in this world system ...*

***Our natural bodies*** constantly suffer from tensions ...

*(We hear words like ... I need to get away ... I need a drink ... etc)*

***Our emotions*** are continually afflicted with anxiety and worry, which are fear based symptoms of this fallen world ...

***Our mind*** perpetually wrestles with doubts and confusions ...

*We don't even know how much these things afflict us ... especially in times like these ... where we are restricted ... cut off ... lonely ... frustrated ... confused ...*

*If we cannot admit to these things ... as a friend of mine used to say, we are in that river in Egypt ... 'de-Nile' ...*

**BUT HERE ... GOD HAS PUT WITHIN US THE SOLUTION FOR ALL OF LIFES FRUSTRATIONS & FAILURES ... He has put in us 'THE SPIRIT OF LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS', that resurrected Spirit that has overcome the death principle and now exists apart from it.**

*This triumphant Spirit, with all His attributes, everything you need, is living and dwelling in you.*

**IT'S NOW A MATTER OF LIVING FROM & IN A NEW LIFE SOURCE**

**YOU NOW HAVE 2 SOURCES FROM WHICH YOU CAN DRAW & LIVE**

**THE FLESH OR NATURAL MAN / THE SPIRIT OF LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS**

**WE HAVE TO:**

**STOP TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE SOLUTION ... YOU ALREADY HAVE IT**

**STOP TRYING TO FIX YOURSELF ... YOU CANNOT EVER FIX THE FLESH**

**STOP TRYING TO FIGHT THE PROBLEMS ... THE BATTLE IS OVER**

Romans 6:4 **SLIDE**

*... Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk in newness of life.***

### **John 7:38**

*He who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.*

**This is internal rivers of water ... flowing throughout our entire being.**

YOU HAVE A **LIFE SOURCE** WITHIN YOU THAT CAN FLOW THROUGH YOU ...

IF YOU SURRENDER TO IT -

**IT WILL FLOW INTO YOUR PAIN WITH LIVING OINTMENT ...**

**... INTO YOUR ANXIETY WITH LIVING PEACE ...**

**... INTO YOUR DOUBT WITH LIVING FAITH ...**

**... INTO YOUR FEAR WITH LIVING ASSURANCE ...**

IT IS A PROFOUND SUBSTANCE WITHIN YOU ALREADY.

THESE RIVERS CAN FLOOD OUR INNER MAN ... AND SPILL OVER INTO THE WORLD AROUND US ...

### **Romans 8:5**

*For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.*

AS YOU MEDITATE ON HIM WHO IS WITHIN ...

**FEEL THE FLOW WITHIN ... THE GENTLE TRICKLE IN YOUR HEART ...**

**GIVE HIM 'RIGHT OF WAY' WITHIN YOU ...**

**START TO LET GO AND LET HIM CARRY YOU ...**

### **MERILEE'S TESTIMONY**

*Merilee shared a testimony with me here just the other day. She said she woke up and, as she does, began to meditate on the love of God ... the love of God being so profound ... as we have been teaching. Her mind was set on things above ... on everything He's given us ... thanking Him. And her heart was affected and swelled, as it does. She felt the Holy Spirit flow through her. She could sense Him moving in her life. She felt the Holy Spirit start to flow into her arms and legs ... into her body ... letting go tensions within her ...*

**I have experienced this and do experience it. I can't get through the days without that.**

**The Holy Spirit releases us. He brings life to your mortal body.**

**This is the Spirit of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.**