



The Notes

A STORY WORTH TELLING AND A LIFE WORTH LIVING

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“Again feeling very upset, Jesus came to the tomb. It was a cave with a large stone covering the entrance. Jesus said, ‘Move the stone away.’ Martha, the sister of the dead man, said, ‘But, Lord, it has been four days since he died. There will be a bad smell.’ Then Jesus said to her, ‘Didn’t I tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?’ So they moved the stone away from the entrance. Then Jesus looked up and said, ‘Father, I thank you that you heard me. I know that you always hear me, but I said these things because of the people here around me. I want them to believe that you sent me.’ After Jesus said this, he cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come out!’ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with pieces of cloth, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, ‘Take the cloth off of him and let him go.”

John 11:38-44 (NCV)

“Sharing in his death by our baptism means that we were co-buried and entombed with him, so that when the Father’s glory raised Christ from the dead, we were also raised with him. We have been co-resurrected with him so that we could be empowered to walk in the freshness of new life.”

Romans 6:4 (TPT)

IF I REALLY WANT TO HAVE A STORY WORTH TELLING AND A LIFE WORTH LIVING, I NEED TO...

1. ...START WITH A FEW NECESSARY DAYS IN THE GRAVE

“Keep in mind that we who belong to Jesus, the Anointed One, have already experienced crucifixion. For everything connected with our self - life was put to death on the cross and crucified with Messiah.”

Galatians 5:24 (TPT)

“Since Christ, though innocent, suffered in his flesh for you, now you also must be a prepared soldier, having the same mind-set, for whoever has died in his body is done with sin.”

1 Peter 4:1 (TPT)

2. ...JUMP AT THE CHANCE TO PUT MY OLD LIFE BEHIND ME FOR GOOD

“One of the criminals hanging on the cross next to Jesus kept ridiculing him, saying, ‘What kind of Messiah are you? Save yourself and save us from this death!’ The criminal hanging on the other cross rebuked the man, saying, ‘Don’t you fear God? You’re about to die! We deserve to be condemned, for we’re just being repaid for what we’ve done. But this man—he’s done nothing wrong!’ Then he said, ‘I beg of you, my Lord Jesus, show me grace and take me with you into your everlasting kingdom!’ Jesus responded, ‘I promise you—this very day you will enter paradise with me.’”

Luke 23:39-43 (TPT)

3. ...LIVE EVERY DAY LIKE I JUST CAME BACK FROM THE DEAD

“Live the rest of your life on earth controlled not by earthly desires but by the will of God. You have already wasted enough time living like those outsiders in the society around you: losing yourselves in sex, in addictions and desires, in drinking and lawless idolatry, in giving your time and allegiance to things that are not godly.”

1 Peter 4:2-3 (Voice)

“You were taught to leave your old self. This means that you must stop living the evil way you lived before. That old self gets worse and worse, because people are fooled by the evil they want to do. You must be made new in your hearts and in your thinking. Be that new person who was made to be like God, truly good and pleasing to him.”

Ephesians 4:22-24 (ERV)