

*The Resurrection*

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“Without the shedding of blood, there is no remission.” Heb 9:22

The resurrection proves to us that the remission of sin is the result of suffering and death. Our Savior, through His passion and death, destroyed sin and opened to us the gates of heaven if we choose to unite ourselves to Him. Only God could bring Himself back to life again and let us share in that life.

All of Jerusalem knew that Christ was dead. His enemies knew He was dead and they also knew He worked miracles and prophesied concerning His resurrection. The enemies therefore guarded the tomb to make sure He would not come back to life. The apostles scattered, while the enemy watched, and it is the enemy that, in a certain sense, proves the resurrection. The Crucified one is risen; His wounds are His glory and the dead man is now immortal. The Man of Sorrows is the King of Heaven, victorious after battle. He is victorious over sin. Our iniquities were laid upon Him and He expiated them by dying on the Cross so that we who follow Him are no longer children of wrath and perdition.

Our Lord’s victory is for all time, for all who believe in Him and unite themselves to Him through baptism and the sacraments. He wants victory over our hearts, and we should give our hearts to Him. Let us give Him the best of what we have, for He is our God and will save us.

Sincerely in Christ,

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