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This message came to me after studying about healing.

Turn to **John 18 & Luke 22.**

This incident is told in all **4 Gospels. Matthew 26:51 & Mark 14:47.** But the name is told to us in John, and the healing is in Luke. We are going to read those passages today.

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**John 18:10-11 ESV**

**10 "Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) 11 So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given Me?"**

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**Luke 22:50-51 ESV**

**50 "And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. 51 But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And He touched his ear and healed him."**

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A little girl asked her dad a question about the Bible. She said: "Dad, why did Jesus put Malchus' ear back on after Peter cut it off?" Now that's a good question. And her dad—just a simple farmer—gave a profound answer. He said: "At that moment, Peter had committed a crime. A serious one. Assault against the servant of the high priest could cost him his life. But when Jesus healed the ear...He removed the evidence. No missing ear meant no proof. No proof meant no case. Peter would stand innocent."

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That's not just a clever answer. That's the Gospel. Because the resurrection is not just about forgiveness...**It's about the removal of evidence.**

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The same Jesus who restored the ear in the garden...would stretch out His hands on a cross...be laid in a tomb...and three days later rise again! And because He lives, we don't just get a second chance—we get a complete restoration!

The resurrection brings five powerful blessings into our lives: **Pardon, Peace, Purity, Power, and Presence.**

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## **5 Blessings of the Resurrection:**

### **1.PARDON.**

**We are forgiven completely.**

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**Psalm 103:12 ESV**

"As far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us."

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**Romans 4:25 NIV**

"JESUS was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification."

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**Colossians 2:13-14 ESV**

13 "And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross."

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Just like Malchus's ear showed *no evidence of injury*, our sin leaves *no evidence of guilt* before God.

**Courtroom Illustration: EXPUNGED** - A judge not only declares you "not guilty" but removes your record entirely—like it never existed. You have been expunged by JESUS Himself! In Christ, there is no trace of your sin! **EXPUNGED!!!**

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**5 Blessings of the Resurrection:**

**2. PEACE.**

**We are reconciled to God.**

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**Romans 5:1 ESV**

**“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

**We have peace with God through faith.**

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Sin created hostility between us and God.

But the resurrection declares: the war is over. That’s what happens in salvation. You’re no longer fighting for acceptance—you’re living from it!

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One of the last things JESUS said to His disciples before His death was, **“Peace I leave with you.” (John 14:27)**

And the first thing He told them after the resurrection was, **“Peace be with you.” (John 20:19)**

**You have peace with God!!!**

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**2 Corinthians 5:18-19 ESV**

**18** "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;  
**19** that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation."

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**5 Blessings of the Resurrection:**  
**3. PURITY.**

**We are made new.**

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JESUS didn't just cover us or restore us...we are made new in Him. Like Malchus's ear, not scarred or stitched—completely new and whole.

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**2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV**

**"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."**

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**1 John 1:5-10 ESV**

**5** "This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. **6** If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. **7** But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one

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another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. **8** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **9** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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**10** If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us."

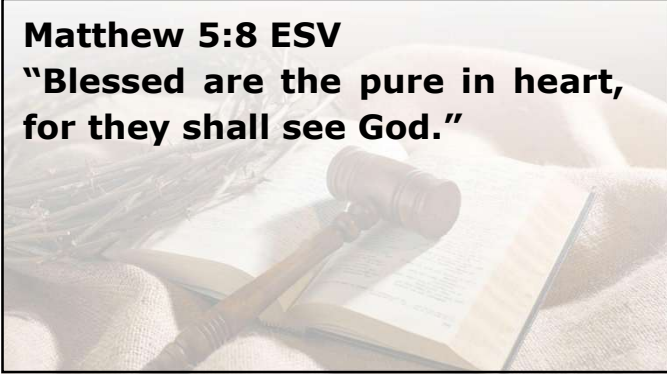
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Through JESUS, we receive pardon for the past, peace for today, and purity for life in the future.

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**Matthew 5:8 ESV**

**"Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they shall see God."**



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**5 Blessings of the Resurrection:****4. POWER.**

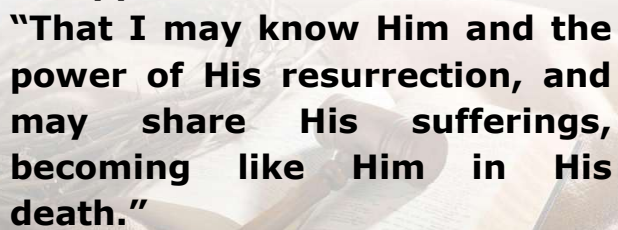
**We are empowered to live  
differently.**



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**Philippians 3:10 ESV**

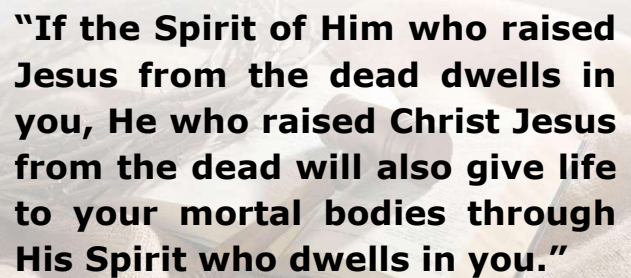
**"That I may know Him and the  
power of His resurrection, and  
may share His sufferings,  
becoming like Him in His  
death."**



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**Romans 8:11 ESV**

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



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**Ephesians 1:19-20 ESV**

**19 "And what is the immeasurable greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His great might 20 that He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the Heavenly places."**

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**BP/AP:Before Peter/After Peter** – from cutting off an ear and denying Christ → to a bold preacher in Acts!

This resurrection power is available to us spirit, soul, and body!

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**5 Blessings of the Resurrection:****5. PRESENCE.**

**We are never alone.**

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**Matthew 28:20 ESV**

**"Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."**

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**John 14:16-17 ESV**

16 "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you."

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**Hebrews 13:5 ESV**

"Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for He has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

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When we realize that God's presence is always with us, it keeps us from chasing other things like money and the world. My contentment is not based on my circumstances, but Christ being with me in my circumstances. **Key Takeaway:** You don't need to chase more to be fulfilled—because **God's Presence is already enough!**

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**Hebrews 8:12 ESV**

"For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

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There's something interesting about digital records today. Even when you delete something, experts say traces can still remain. But not with God. When He forgives, He doesn't archive your sin. He doesn't keep a backup copy. He doesn't revisit it later.

**Hebrews 8:12** - **"I will remember their sins no more."**

Imagine a file so completely erased...that even the system has no record it ever existed. That's what Jesus accomplished!

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When Jesus touched Malchus's ear, there was no evidence the injury ever happened.

When Jesus rose from the grave, He made it possible that in God's eyes...there is no evidence of our sin...**NO EVIDENCE REMAINS!!!** Only the evidence of His grace.

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On the cross, Jesus took our sin. In the resurrection, He removed all evidence of it. So the question is: Why carry what God has already erased? Why live condemned...when Jesus says we are pardoned? Why live anxious...when He offers peace? Why live bound...when He gives power? Why live alone...when He promises His presence?

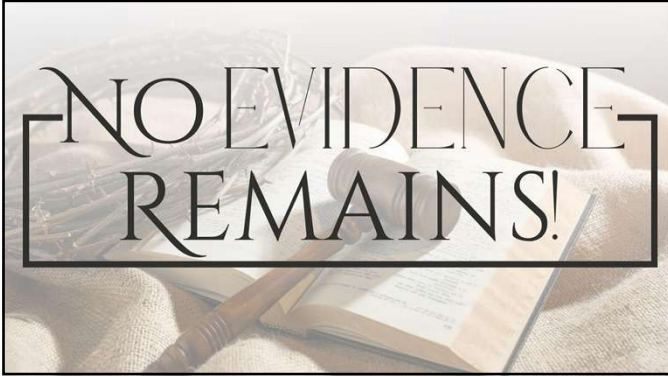
Today, because of Jesus...**No evidence remains!**

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**If you've never trusted Christ:** Today can be the day where your past is erased...your record is cleared...and your life is made new.

**If you have trusted Him:** Stop living like the evidence still exists! Walk in pardon. Rest in peace. Live in purity. Move in power. And never forget His Presence.

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