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# The Full Easter Story: THE GOSPEL

## THERE IS THE ONE AND ONLY *Holy* GOD

Isaiah 6:3 *"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."*

## THERE IS THE *Shattered* US — WE — ME

Genesis 3:24 *After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.*

## GOD'S RESCUE PLAN: THE *Messiah*

Isaiah 53:5 *But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.*

## *Jesus Christ* — THE MESSIAH — THE SAVIOR

### Christ the Messiah Arrived

Luke 2:10-11 *"Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."*

### Christ the Holy God in the Flesh

Colossians 1:15 *The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.*

### Christ the Sacrifice — the Sacrificial Lamb

Isaiah 53:6 *We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

John 1:29 *"Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"*

Philippians 2:6-8 *Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!*

John 19:30 *When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

### Christ the Resurrected Lord

Matthew 28:6 *"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."*

Philippians 2:9-11 *Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 *For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...*

### Christ the Conqueror Over the Ultimate Enemy

1 Corinthians 15:56-57 *"Death has been swallowed up in victory." <sup>55</sup> "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" <sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## WHAT IS JESUS TO ME?

### What Jesus is not...

1 Corinthians 15:14 *And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith.*

### What Jesus is...

John 11:25 *Jesus said to her, “**I am the resurrection and the life.** The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.”*

John 14:6 *Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”*

## WHAT MUST I DO?

Acts 2:36-38 *“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both **Lord and Messiah.**”  
<sup>37</sup>When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”  
<sup>38</sup>Peter replied, “**Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**”  
<sup>39</sup>The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”*

### Repent

2 Corinthians 7:10 *Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.*

### Be baptized

## WHAT CHANGES IN ME?

### Reconciled

2 Corinthians 5:20-21 *We implore you on Christ’s behalf: **Be reconciled to God.*** <sup>21</sup>God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him **we might become the righteousness of God.**

### New Creation

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!*

### Child of God

John 1:12-13 *Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become **children of God***—<sup>13</sup>children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.

### Home

John 14:1-3 *“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God[a]; believe also in me.”<sup>2</sup> My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?<sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that **you also may be where I am.**”*

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## MY PERSONAL DECISION

**Romans 10:10-11** *If you declare with your mouth, “**Jesus is Lord,**” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.<sup>10</sup> For it is with your heart that you believe and are **justified,** and it is with your mouth that you **profess your faith and are saved.**<sup>11</sup> As Scripture says, “**Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.**”*

