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DARE TO BELIEVE

Easter 2019

...Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first (John) also went in, and **HE SAW** and **BELIEVED** - for until then they still hadn't understood the Scriptures that said Jesus must rise from the dead. John 20:1-9 (NLT)

WHY DARE TO BELIEVE IN JESUS?

In the beginning the Word (the breath of God, the truth of God, that's another name for Jesus) already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God... So the Word became human and made his home among us (Jesus became flesh so we could see Him). He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. John 1:1-5 & 14 (NLT)

The Good News is... He (Jesus) was shown to be the Son of God when He was raised from the dead... Romans 1:3-4 (NIV)

THE BENEFITS OF BELIEVING...

1. I can have everything I've ever done WRONG, FORGIVEN.

... All who **BELIEVE** in Jesus will be forgiven of their sins through Jesus' name. **Acts 10:43 (NCV)**

We are made right in God's sight when **we trust in Jesus Christ** to take <u>away our sins</u>. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done! **Romans 3:22 (NLT)**

2. I can discover God's <u>REASON</u> & <u>PURPOSE</u> for my life.

...Everything, absolutely everything... got started in Him (Christ) and <u>finds</u> <u>its purpose in Him</u>. Colossians 1:16 (MSG)

For we (those who **believe** in Jesus Christ) *are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.* **Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)**

3. I can receive God's <u>DIRECTION</u> and <u>STRENGTH</u> for daily living.

Jesus: "If you are tired from carrying heavy burdens, **COME TO ME** and I will give you rest. Take the yoke I give you. Put it on your shoulders and **learn from me**. I am gentle and humble, and you will find rest. This yoke is easy to bear, and this burden is light." **Matthew 11:28-30 (CEV)**

I pray that you will begin to understand how <u>incredibly great His power is</u> <u>to help those who BELIEVE Him</u>. It is that same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead... Ephesians 1:19-20 (TLB)

4. I can receive God's guarantee of ETERNAL life with HIM.

Jesus said "I am the one who raises the dead and gives them life again. <u>Any-one who BELIEVES in Me</u>, even though he dies shall live again. He is given eternal life <u>for BELIEVING in Me</u> and shall never perish..." John 11:25-26 (TLB)

HOW TO BELIEVE... (CLAIM IT, COMPLETE IT, and RECEIVE IT!)

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. **Romans 10:9 (NIV)**

...to all who receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12 (NIV)

Going deeper on your own. Look up and read Ephesians 1:5, Ephesians 2:8-10, Romans 10:9, and John 5:24. Has there ever been a time when you drew a line in the sand and accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord? If not, do it today and write Pastor Jay at Jay@CenterPointChurch.com to let him know about your commitment. Then tell a friend or family member. Now plan to take your first step in following Jesus' leadership and get baptized.