



new life fellowship

Sermon Title: Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of Jesus Makes All Things New

Speaker: Richard Villodas, Lead Pastor

Scripture: Revelation 1:17-18, 21:5

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

(NIV)

Sermon Outline:

We all long for new things and in the process of doing so, we tend to do away with those things that we believe are older and no longer useful. We also long for broken things to be made new. Newness is a possibility in Jesus Christ.

Easter Sunday is the greatest Sunday in human history. Jesus Christ does not stay dead and because he is risen from the dead, we can also be made alive again.

We read the book of Revelation to see the world from Jesus's perspective. The scripture of this book is giving us human history from God's perspective.

Behold, I am making all things new.

The Resurrection of Christ declares that Jesus is alive and moving on our behalf. The good news of Easter is that God doesn't give up on things that seem to be dead. God works with what God has, which is good news for every one of us.

God's solution for a creation marred by sin and death is not to abandon it, evacuate it, condemn it, or destroy it, **but to remake it – to make it new again!** This is what was inaugurated on Easter! -- Brian Zhand

Jesus Christ is the same Jesus Christ that died and rose from the dead. God knows how to take things that have no life and are out of order, and make them new.

I am making all things new.

I am = Jesus Christ is letting us know that he is the source of life and the newness that we are looking for.

making = this is the God who is always active and working in our lives at this very moment.

all things = nothing in the world is out of the reach of Jesus Christ's grace and love, God is making ALL things new.

new = Jesus Christ is letting us know that in him we are all made new.

Resurrection means the worst thing is never the last thing. -- Frederick Beuchner

Sin and death do not have the final word. Jesus has the final word over our lives, our world, and the church.

On Easter Sunday we declare a God who can bring life out of death.

Sermon Summary:

This Sunday, Richard Villodas, Lead Pastor, leads us in our Easter Sunday service. Today Pastor Rich explores how the resurrection of Jesus makes all things new.

Sermon Questions:

1. Do you feel an invitation from Christ in today's scripture passage? Do any of the words resonate with you? If so, why?
2. Read the scripture texts in Revelation. What do they tell you about who God is and what God's doing in the world?
3. Rich said, "Revelation begins with hope of our living God - he lets us know who he is and what he's doing (making all things new)." Easter Sunday reminds us that nothing is beyond the reach of God's love. What do you feel is dead in your life right now or is there an area in your life that you have decided is beyond repair or is without hope?