**Easter Sermon April 12, 2020**

**Because He Lives**

The resurrection of Jesus Christ brings great blessings into your life. The Bible teaches many powerful truths about the resurrection of Jesus Christ. When we know and act on these truths in faith, our life will be powerfully impacted. Today, let us look at three powerful truths about the resurrection of Jesus Christ found in 1 Peter 1:3-4.

1 Peter 1:3-4 *“3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy* ***has begotten us*** *again to a* ***living hope*** *through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,* ***4 to an inheritance*** *incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,”*

1. Because He lives, you have received the new birth. 2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 4:24
2. Because He lives, you have received a living hope. Romans 15:13
3. Because He lives, you have received an inheritance. Revelations 21:1-4

Conclusion: We have seen three powerful truths concerning the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Three great blessings that you receive through the resurrection of Jesus. Believe and receive the blessings of the new birth, the blessings of hope, and get excited today about your eternal inheritance in heaven.

Discussion questions:

1. What are the blessings of the new birth?
2. What does it mean to receive living hope and how can you walk in this hope?
3. Why should you get excited about your inheritance in heaven?