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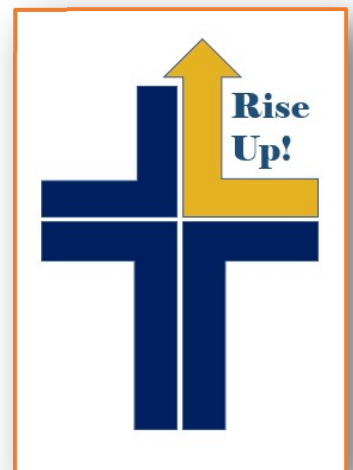
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Everlasting God

*“...The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth...” Isaiah 40:28*

Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

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Our God, You reign forever

Our hope, our strong deliverer

You are the everlasting God

The everlasting God

You do not faint

You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak

You comfort those in need

You lift us up on wings like eagles

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Your Name

*"The Name of the LORD is a strong tower;
The righteous run to it and are safe." Proverbs 18:10*

Glenn Packiam

As morning dawns and evening fades
You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your
Heart and glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty
tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name, let the nations sing it
louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save
But Your Name

Jesus, in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today
Lord, give us strength to live for You
and glorify Your Name

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Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name, let the nations sing it
louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save

But Your Name is a strong and mighty
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Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save
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1 Corinthians 15:22-28 — English Standard Version (ESV)

22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 24 Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27 For “God[a] has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. 28 When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

"One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" John 9:25

John Newton and Chris Tomlin/Louie Giglio

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught
My heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
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My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Living Hope

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope..." 1 Pt 1:3

Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between
us

How high the mountain I could not
climb

In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, your
loving-kindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such
boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from
glory

To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me
free

Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed
the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory, whoa!

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me
free

Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on
me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope...

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are, my living hope

Offering: Ancient Words

“Blessed are those who keep His statutes and seek Him with all their heart” Psalm 119:2

Lynn DeShazo

Holy words, long preserved
For our walk, in this world
They resound with God's own heart
Oh let the ancient words impart

Words of life, words of hope
Give us strength, help us cope
In this world, where'er we roam
Ancient words will guide us home

Ancient words, ever true
Changing me and changing you
We have come with open hearts
Oh, let the ancient words impart

Holy words, of our faith
Handed down, to this age
Came to us through sacrifice
Oh heed the faithful words of Christ
Holy words, long preserved

For our walk, in this world
They resound with God's own heart
Oh, let the ancient words impart

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Changing me and changing you
We have come with open hearts
Oh, let the ancient words impart

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Forever Reign

"The LORD reigns for ever and ever" Exodus 15:18

Jason Ingram and Reuben Morgan

You are good, You are good
When there's nothing good in me
You are love, You are love
On display for all to see
You are light, You are light
When the darkness closes in
You are hope, You are hope
You have covered all my sin

You are peace, You are peace
When my fear is crippling
You are true, You are true
Even in my wandering
You are joy, You are joy
You're the reason that I sing
You are life, You are life
In You, death has lost its sting

Oh, I'm running to Your arms
I'm running to Your arms
The riches of Your love
Will always be enough
Nothing compares to Your embrace
Light of the world forever reign

You are more, You are more
Than my words will ever say
You are Lord, You are Lord
All creation will proclaim
You are here, You are here

In Your presence I'm made whole
You are God, You are God
Of all else, I'm letting go

Oh, I'm running to Your arms
I'm running to Your arms
The riches of Your love
Will always be enough
Nothing compares to Your embrace
Light of the world forever reign

My heart will sing, no other name, Jesus, Jesus
My heart will sing, no other name, Jesus, Jesus
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The Word of God and Its Clear Plan of Salvation

Man is desperately needy because of his sin.

"For there is not a just man upon earth; that doeth good, and sinneth not." Ecclesiastes 7:20

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" Romans 3:23

Sin separates you from God - and has a penalty.

"For the wages of sin is death;" Romans 6:23a

"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Revelation 20:15

God is righteous and holy, and his Son, Jesus is the deliverer of sinful man.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:16,17,18

You can have (accept the gift of) eternal life.

"But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23b

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13

You must acknowledge your sin and your need of the Savior.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. Romans 10:9-10

You must humbly repent (*change your mind about your sinful direction*) and pray to God, agreeing with Him that you are sinner and that His Son, Jesus, died on the cross, in your place, for your sins. You must simply believe that Jesus was buried and rose again to grant you forgiveness and declare you righteous. You can invite Him to take control of your life and depend solely on Him to save your soul from hell. If you ask Him in simple faith to save you, He will. If you need help or would like to let us know of your decision, contact us at grandheights.org or 937-718-0533.



We were buried
therefore with him by
baptism into death,
in order that, just as
Christ was raised
from the dead by the
glory of the Father,
we too might walk in
newness of life.
(Romans 6:4, ESV)

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1 Corinthians 15:20-28

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1 Corinthians 15:20–24

[20] But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. [21] For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. [23] But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. [24] Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. (ESV)



3

1 Corinthians 15:25–28

[25] For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26] The last enemy to be destroyed is death. [27] For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. [28] When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all. (ESV)



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[20] But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

We saw previously that v.20 undoes the absurd scenario that Paul had described if Christ had not been raised from the dead. However, as he had shown in vv.5-7, Christ “in fact” has been raised. With this declaration, Paul transitions to his big point for the rest of the chapter, that we will be raised because Christ is the “first-fruits” of resurrection.

Just as “first-fruits” bring the promise of future fruit, Christ’s resurrection brings the promise of the resurrection of all who have believed in Him. In Colossians 1:18, Paul refers to Christ as the “firstborn from the dead”, which has something to the order of resurrection (He is first) but also refers to His rule over all who will be raised. Here, in 1 Cor. 15, the focus is on the promise of our future resurrection.



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[21] For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

Jesus’ resurrection is a complete reversal of the consequence of Adam’s sin. Back in Genesis 3, Adam and Eve faced temptation and fell into sin. Once Adam sinned, he lost the image of God and faced the consequence of death (eternal death, being barred from the Tree of Life- Gen. 3:22-24).

Jesus’ resurrection reverses the consequence of Adam’s sin, eternal death. Those who are in Christ will die physically but will not remain dead (v.22). The big question facing all humans who are “in Adam” is whether they believe in the gospel and become “in Christ”. Those who are in Christ will be made alive.



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[23] But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. [24] Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.

Having declared our resurrection in the previous verses, if we are in Christ, Paul now returns to Christ as the “first-fruits”. He also indicates when our resurrection will occur, “at his coming.” This is where our resurrection is different than Christ’s. Our resurrection will be like His in that our bodies will be raised and glorified. However, it will not occur on the “third day” like His did (v.4). Our resurrection will occur when Christ is ready to execute judgment. Matthew 25 describes the scene at length where all the nations face judgment after the Son of Man comes in glory. The King will judge all the people and will defeat all the enemies of God (see Psalm 110).



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[25] For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26] The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Verses 25 and 26 backtrack a bit to point out the purpose of Christ’s reign, to crush all God’s enemies. This reign is called a reign of righteousness because He will undue all injustices and bring vengeance on all evildoers (Romans 12:19). God is a God of justice and He is also longsuffering (Exodus 34:6-7).

Paul finishes with great news for the church. Christ will deal defeat to our greatest enemy, death. He has dealt with our sin by His death and He defeats our death through resurrection. So, it is by our resurrection that death is defeated. When God raises everyone from the dead, then death is defeated. Just as Christ is never to die again (Romans 6:9), neither are those who are in Christ, once they are raised from the dead.



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[27] For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. [28] When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Paul concludes this section by reminding the church that Christ’s defeat of all God’s enemies is just a part of God’s overall plan. The great purposes of God focus on the future where God’s resurrected people (those who have believed in Christ) will be transformed into a joy-filled group of worshippers. These eternal worshippers will finally savor God’s glory and be caught up in the praise of His name instead of lesser joys.

In other words, the final state of God’s plan is where God is recognized as being “all in all”.



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How do these biblical truths cause us to Rise Up?

1) Have you been fighting your enemies of sin and death in your own power?

One reason that Paul has explained that Christ’s resurrection guarantees our resurrection is so that the church realizes that we need not fear death nor submit to sin. See Romans 6 for more of this discussion. No self-discipline or innate morality will defeat our sin nature and no exercise routine or diet will push back death forever.

2) Are you “in Christ”?

Because we have been born, we are in Adam and share in that fallen human nature. As soon as we have had an opportunity to exercise our own wills, we have chosen the same path of sin. However, because of the preaching of the gospel, we have an opportunity to believe in Christ and to be freed from sin and death in Him. If we are “in Christ” through faith, then we will be raised from the dead like Him.

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How do these biblical truths cause us to Rise Up?

3) We should worship (now) the one who will rule over all things.

We do not need to wait until Christ's universal reign to worship Him as God in the flesh and the life-giver. He is already the "head" over the church and can allow us to "live" as His body right now.