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Christ is risen, Hallelujah

Risen our victorious Head;

Christ is risen from the dead!

Sing His praises, Hallelujah!

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THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CONFIRMED

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"The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared ..." This is the abiding proof of Christ's triumph over the tomb.

To the weeping Magdalene was given the glorious privilege of beholding the risen Master, of hearing His voice, of receiving from Him the message, "Go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see Me." Then to the disciples, gathered together in the upper room, He appeared again saying, "Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I Myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones as ye see me have." And says the apostle John: "Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord." "Thomas, who for some reason was not resent at that first Sunday evening service at which Christ appeared; Thomas, who doubted because he had not seen, was given the privilege of beholding the nail-pierced hands, and thrusting his hand into the riven side. That experience, so thoroughly convincing, drew from Him the wondering cry, "My Lord, and my God!"

The apostle to the Gentiles, summing up the evidence of our Lord's resurrection in I Corinthians 15, places emphasis on the fact that Christ was seen. "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures . . . was buried . . . rose again the third day . . . and was seen of Cephas, then of the tweve; after that he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once ... after that he was seen of James; then of all the apostles, and last of all he was seen of Me also." There is the indisputable evidence of this incomparable miracle. He was seen. That is the reason why the early church was so convincing in its witnessing. The resurrection of Jesus was a vivid, thrilling fact, because it had been evidenced by his appearance to them. "That which we have seen and heard, declare we unto you," was the preface of John's first epistle. "With great power gave the apostles witness of the reseurcection of the Lord Jesus." To Mary the Scripture promise of Christ's Easter victory was vague and unreal until she saw Him. To the disciples the announcement of that same Mary was as an idle tale, until they themselves beheld him. To Thomas the word of the other apostles was unreasonable, until Christ appeared to him also. To Saul the preaching of Peter and Stephen was incredible until it was proven in the blazing light of his Damascus road conversion. And to the people of our day, needing so much the saving presence of our resurrected Lord, there is but one convincing evidence of the message we preach, and that, a revelation of the living Redeemer.

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"We would see Jesus" is the cry of our generation. And still the Divine method is confirmation through revelation. One object lesson of Christ's resurrection is more convincing than a thousand sermons built out of historical data.

To behold Him in His saving and sanctifying power, to surrender ourselves unreservedly to Him, and to live in daily obedience to His will; to do these things would result in the which eing spread abroad again: "The Lord is rischindeed, and hath appeared

CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE

A Contribution to The Highway by Rev. R. H. Hamilton

Any movement that leaves Christ out of its program is a defeated movement. "As in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive." Every movement depending on the flesh must perish. Life and Death, and I open and no man shuts and I shut and no man openeth."

Death could not hold his prey, Jesus my Saviour;

He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord. Up from the ground He arose,

With a mighty triumph o'er His foes;

He arose a victor o'er the dark domain, And He lives forever with His saints to

reign;

He arose! He arose! Hallelujah, Christ arose.

Joyfully the disciple aght the vision, and went forth preaching "Jesus and the Resurrection." Millions laid hord of eternal life and amid great opposition

Ascribed their conquests to the Lamb, Their triumphs to His death.

And still the process of Redemption goes on. "For He must reign until He puts down all principalities and powers." We are enjoying spiritual life but when Redemption is completed these bodies also shall receive the touch of divine life. "Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. Sin will be gone, sickness will be no more, false systems will have perished, capitalism. communion, greed, militarism and all the carnal brood that spread themselves like the green bay tree, shall have passed away. Satan will have been cast into the lake of fire. Then shall be heard a voice saying, "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."



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The curse for sin passed upon all earthly things and is continually reaping its harvest. But the Great War Council of Eternity worked out a plan, through divine grace, to meet the powers of Sin and Death and completely vanquish them.

The Lamb of God undertook the task. "He became flesh and dwelt among us." Alone in the wilderness He met Satan in a three-fold combat, and where the first Adam failed, the second Adam won a signal victory over the world, the flesh and the devil. Prostrate in Gethsemane, He struggled alone until He sweat, as it were, great drops of blood. Receiving a spiritual victory, He proceeded to Calvary, after being betrayed by a follower.

To His disciples, the tragedy of that dark day on Calvary seemed to be utter defeat. "We had hoped," said two of them, "that it had been He who should redeem Israel."

But could they have seen the conflict raging between the powers of Life and Death, they would have beheld the dark monster hurled from his throne and seen Christ marching forth carrying the gates of death, as He cried, "I am He that liveth and was dead and behold I am alive forevermore: and have the keys of

He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me Along life's narrow way.
He lives! He lives! Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.