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2017 MESSAGE SERIES

38 ESSENTIAL PASSAGES IN UNDERSTANDING GOD'S STORY, THEIR STORY, & YOUR STORY.





“That is a moment in my life I
deeply *regret*.”

-Steve Harvey

Regret:

A feeling of **sadness** or **disappointment** over something that has happened or been done.



Did you walk in with regret
this morning?

Today:

How the resurrection of Jesus
is God's answer for our regret

“Because Jesus is risen we have a new future, present and past...

A new future because death does not have the last word; the last word is LIFE, specifically eternal-life. A new present because despite what you feel, you are never alone; the living presence of Jesus through the Holy Spirit is promised to his Children. But if that were not enough, the resurrected Jesus wants to reach deep into our past and heal it. Yes, Dr. Jesus can, and wants to, work there also.”

-Darrell Johnson.

The resurrection means:

Freedom

Our Regrets:

Jesus has **dealt** with them-Jesus can **use** them.



Simon Peter



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How is the resurrection of
Jesus God's answer for our
regrets?

Statement #1:

No matter how many moments
of regret, Jesus wants to meet
with you **AGAIN.**



“And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God’s love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God’s love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8

Statement #2:

In our regret Jesus wants to
meet us in a place called
GRACE.



“In the ancient Near East, when a host would extend hospitality to others and provide food for them, he was implying that he would defend them from then on. Thus, Jesus’ invitation constitutes a promise to them much like a covenant meal.

Jesus is not just offering them a meal, he is offering them **acceptance**, **forgiveness**, and **mutual commitment**. And by accepting the meal the disciples are committing themselves afresh to Jesus.”

Dr. Constable



Statement #3:

In our regret Jesus will
continue to **serve** us by
meeting our deepest needs.



Jesus-

“I did not come to be served, but to **serve**.”

“But I am among you as one who **serves**.”

“because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood.

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to **intercede** for them.”

Heb. 7: 25

Jesus did not go to heaven after His earthly ministry and “take a break” from His role as the eternal Shepherd to His people. After Jesus ascended to heaven and was seated at the right hand of God the Father he began his work of that of **defender** and **advocate**.

-Charles Swindoll

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“Now the slaves and the officers were standing *there*, having made a charcoal fire, for it was cold and they were warming themselves; and Peter was also with them, standing and warming himself.”

John 18:18

Question #1:

What's your 'charcoal fire' moment?

Question #2:

Would you allow Jesus to
step into that 'charcoal fire'
and *transform it- transform you?*

“Peter is no longer self-led. His failure has brought about humility thus allowing for a new Spirit-led life of love. This is the spiritual heart condition that is a prerequisite for shepherding the flock of God.”

Darrel Johnson

“All of you, clothe yourselves with
humility toward one another, because,

‘God opposes the proud
but give grace to the humble.’

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s
mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due
time.”

1 Peter 5: 5-6



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Question #3:

Would you let go of **the past**,
and start afresh following Jesus?

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*“And we know that in **all things** God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”*

Romans 8:28