

HOSANNA!

*Palm
Sunday*

Sunday 2nd April 2023

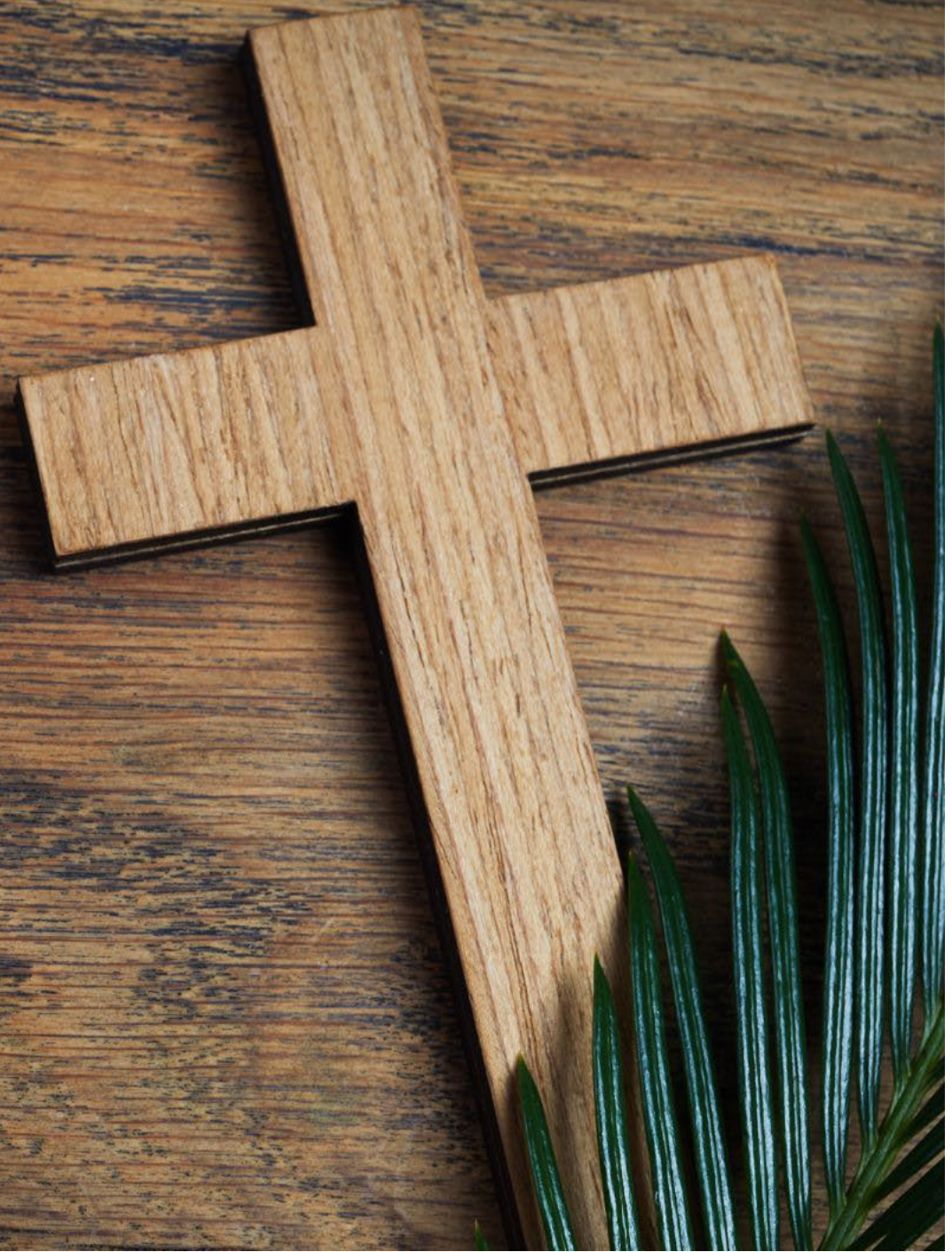


IT'S NOT FAIR!



Why did Jesus die?

What does this
means for us and
the whole world?









All of these
leave us with
inadequate and
failing ideas -
So what does
the bible say?



- In the bible the basic meaning of sin is to miss the mark.



Sin really is a failure
of **WORSHIP**.

"For all have sinned
and fall short of the
glory of God"
(Romans 3:23).



Jeremiah 17:9

*“The heart is deceitful
above all things, and
desperately sick; who
can understand it?”*



Hebrews 3:13 Amplified Bible

“But continually encourage one another every day... [and there is an opportunity], so that none of you will be hardened [into settled rebellion] by the deceitfulness of sin [its cleverness, delusive glamour, and sophistication].”



Rom 3:24-26 continued.....

. God decided on this course of action in full view of the public—to set the world in the clear with himself through the sacrifice of Jesus, finally taking care of the sins he had so patiently endured. This is not only clear, but it's now—this is current history! God sets things right. He also makes it possible for us to live in his rightness.”



Rom 3:24-26

“He got us out of the mess we’re in and restored us to where he always wanted us to be. And he did it by means of Jesus Christ.

God sacrificed Jesus on the altar of the world to clear that world of sin. Having faith in him sets us in the clear.



A close-up photograph of two hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture. The hand on the left is dark-skinned and has several tattoos on the forearm and fingers. It wears a green braided cord bracelet. The hand on the right is light-skinned and wears a silver chain bracelet. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color. Overlaid on the image is the word 'CHRIST' in large, semi-transparent letters at the top, and a block of text in white serif font in the center.

God was reconciling the world to himself **IN CHRIST**, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

(2 Cor 5:19)

Romans 1:20 *“For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God”*



SO HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND?

Repent and believe Mark 1:15
- 22 times used in NT.

*“The time promised by God has
come at last!” he announced.*

*“The Kingdom of God is near!
Repent of your sins and believe
the Good News!”*



- Repent = a change of mind about ourselves and God which leads to a change of action and direction.
- **A TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE OF HEART.** It's a conversion experience.
- Show the fruits of repentance

Matt 3:8 *"Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God."*



Not just for those looking to begin a journey of following Jesus, repentance is really for all 2 Cor 10:4-5

“The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”



- If the strongholds in your mind are the result of conditioning, then you can be reconditioned by the renewing of your mind.
- Anything that has been learned can be unlearned.
- *Paul uses the word for thoughts (noema) in 2 Corinthians in relation to spiritual activity. 2 Corinthians 10:5: "We are taking every thought [noema] captive to the obedience to Christ."*



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A person with long dark hair, wearing a white robe, is seen from behind, walking up a set of stone steps. The steps lead towards a bright, glowing light at the end of a narrow, rocky tunnel. The walls of the tunnel are made of rough, textured stone. The overall atmosphere is one of hope and resurrection.

**DID JESUS
RISE FROM THE DEAD?**

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