

God's Incredible Easter Exchange

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Thanks to Walter Wangerin for "The Ragman."

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED WHEN CHRIST DIED ON THE CROSS?

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:4-6 (English Standard Version)

. . . Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! 2 Corinthians 5:17 (New Living Translation)

HOW DOES CHRIST'S RESURRECTION VALIDATE HIM AS THE MESSIAH?

"God raised Jesus from the dead, and we are all witnesses of this" . . . ³⁶"So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!" Acts 2:32, 36 (NLT)

Jesus: . . . ⁴⁶"It was written long ago that the Messiah would suffer and die and rise from the dead on the third day. ⁴⁷It was also written that this message would be proclaimed . . . 'There is forgiveness of sins for all who repent.'" Luke 24:46-47 (NLT)

WHAT IS MY DEEPEST NEED AND HOW DO THE EVENTS OF EASTER MEET THAT NEED?

For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:21 (NLT)