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Unexpected Jesus #7

Fearful, Now Set Free!

Jesus' resurrection shows & offers victory over sin & death!

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw the **stone had been removed** from the entrance... **John 20:1**

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; **He has risen!**"
Luke 24:5-6

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked out of fear of the Jewish leaders, **Jesus came and stood among them** and said, "**Peace be with you!**"

²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.
John 20:19-20

Release your unrest to His presence that gives peace!

²¹ Again **Jesus** said, "**Peace be with you!** As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." ²³ If you **forgive the sins of anyone**, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."
John 20:21-22

Receive His peace to share & extend His forgiveness!

²⁴ Now **Thomas**, one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "**Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.**"

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, **Jesus came and stood among them** and said, "**Peace be with you!**" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "**Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.**"

²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."
John 20:24-29

Bring your pain/doubt to be met, understood, & led forward!

"I have told you these things, so that **in me you may have peace.** In this world you will have trouble. But take heart, be courageous! **I have overcome the world.**"
John 16:33

Crossroads Church

Discovering Life Connected with God!

Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

Our Commitment

Growth

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

Relationships

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

Relevance

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

Involvement

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

Truth

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"