The FACT That Changes EVERYTHING! 1 Peter 1:3-5 April 9, 2023 – Easter Sunday

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Peter 1:3-5; NKJ)

I. What is the _____ for the fact of the Resurrection?

- Exhibit 1: Jesus' _____ was completely verified.
- Exhibit 2: The tomb was _____!
- Exhibit 3: There was an abundance of _____!

"For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time." (I Cor. 15:3-8; NKJ)

• Exhibit 4: The ______ were completely _____!

II. What are the _____ of the fact of the Resurrection?

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A. The Resurrection means my ______ is completely ______ by the grace of God!

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope..." (v3)

B. The Resurrection means my ______ is bright with an unfathomable _____!

"... to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,..." (v4)

"But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus." (Eph 2:4-7; NKJ)

C. The Resurrection means my ______ and of Christ!

"...kept by the power of God through faith..." (v 5)

"...that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come." (Ephesians 1:18-21; NKJ)

"that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:9-10; NKJ)

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