

I thought this message was worth sharing again at this Easter time! JEY had provided this for me to use in a "Make Today Count" newsletter for our local Medical Center. and was written in a form that everyone could accept. I also included a message from the New Testament: "So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable....It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body." (I Cor. 15:42-44)

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It was known to those who were Jesus' followers and those who loved him that it would be necessary to part with this one who was so much a part of their lives and who had been able to bring love and peace to their lives. Thus it was that those who loved him were in his presence when he was deprived of his life in body. And so it was that they were able to see that his body was laid to rest, as were others of that time, in a tomb that was made in the caves of the countryside.

It is understandable that those who were his followers were saddened to know that one they loved and considered divine could indeed have died. There was great distress about this; but as the one who was Jesus had said, "I shall come again," so it was that the one who appeared as Jesus to them again was the one who was the Christ....who could appear in a glorified body....and thus allow his followers to know that indeed there is a life to follow that which comes as death....that there is that which never dies. And so the one who was Jesus was able to provide the proof of that which he had been teaching....that the one who is the Creator of all does not intend for his creations, our spirits, to die. In other words, the reality of that which is the Spirit never dies, but is able to return to that which is the presence of God.

Thus, the one who was Jesus had fulfilled his mission on Earth....the necessity to teach the people of that time that there is indeed a God of all, a God of Love, and that the God of all would desire that those in body love and worship that One and love and help their fellow man. This was the message that was brought to the Jewish world at that time and has now spread over the world. Thanks to the one who is our Creator!

And as the one who was Jesus was able to provide this added proof of life beyond that which is called death, those who were his followers were then able to go into all the world that they knew and spread that glorious knowledge....**THAT THE SPIRIT ENDURES!** Just as that which is the body must indeed return to dust; that which is the Spirit will return to God. And so as the Earth puts forth new growth in the springtime, we take heart in the promise of life everlasting. **END OF MESSAGE.**

And here are some quotes that may be meaningful to you:

What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God. (L. Nizer)

I've never lived this day before. This will be a happy day; it will be a day of great

accomplishment.

Be grateful for each new day. Each new day is one that you have never lived before, twenty-four new fresh, unexplored hours to use joyfully and usefully. You can squander, neglect, or use them. Life will be either richer or poorer by the way you use today. (G. Hay)

Did you know???

In the New Testament, one-third of Matthew, one-third of Mark, one-fourth of Luke and one-half of John are devoted to the last 24 hours of the life, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

And one last thought on PRAYER:

What begins as one prayer from a small group will return as vast spiritual energy from God that will penetrate the hearts and minds of all mankind and thus tend to cause a new insight into the affairs of mankind. When concerned prayers are sent forth from the heart, it is possible that an entire universe is able to seek a solution which is needed to a problem that confronts mankind.