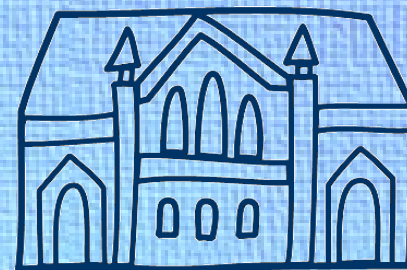


Welcome to Calvary Church, Brighton



We thank God for a blessed weekend-away,
and thank all those who contributed in any way.

Today 15th April 2018 speaker Philip Wells, Full-time Elder.
This morning is Sunday - the day to remember the resurrection

This evening 6.30 - Resurrection and Christian Life
Evening communion following this evening

Share and Prayer meeting 19:30 for 19:45 Wednesday
Church members AGM - 25th April

Saturday 28th April 15:00-17:00 thanksgiving
for Ray Wingate's many years of service.

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Sermons and talks - calvary-brighton.sermon.net

Welcome to this Christian assembly on resurrection day

Reading

- Song - 485 He is exalted
- Prayer
- *For the children - Catechism Song*
- Song - 487 He is Lord
- Bible readings
- Song - 719 One with Jesus
- Study
- Communion (Ben Alltimes)

Lord's Day 17 - Question 45

Q: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

Answer:

First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he could make us share in the righteousness which he had obtained for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are raised up to a new life.

Third, Christ's resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection

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Q: What good is the empty tomb?

Death is overcome by Jesus' resurrection,

And he makes us share with him his life and righteousness.

Q: How does that make a difference in our lives?

By his power we're raised up to a new life now -

it pledges for the future our bodies will be raised!

We should believe in the resurrection of Jesus with assured faith and solid comfort

- Explore the NT teaching on our current status regarding the resurrection / exaltation of the man Christ Jesus, our Lord and Saviour
- N.B. what state is this resurrection for Jesus?
 - It is physical resurrection (many texts)
 - It not merely resuscitation (Lazarus), but #1 entry into deathlessness (i.e. death has no power or presence in the state that Jesus has entered) Romans 6:9,10
 - It is sinlessness / righteousness Rom 6:20b, 21
 - It is physical in the power of the Spirit 1 Cor 15:44, 45
 - It is exaltation into the holiest and most powerful place in the universe Acts 2:32,33, Phil 2:9, Col 3:1, Heb 1:3

Explore the NT teaching on our current status regarding the resurrection of the man Christ Jesus, our Lord and Saviour

- Consistent teaching that we (believers) will be [taken up by] [taken up into] Christ's resurrection
 - c.f. work done by Christ FOR us ("died for our sins"), but this is work in us and to us
- N.B. there is certainly FUTURE bodily resurrection for believers (not just for us, but to us, in us)
 - 1 Cor 6:14, 15:22,23
 - Romans 6:5, 8:11
 - The reasoning is UNION with the risen Christ

We should believe in the resurrection of Jesus with assured faith and solid comfort

- Consistent teaching that we (believers) are = PRESENT [taken up by] [taken up into] Christ's resurrection
- N.B. there is reasoning of UNION into the PRESENT / PAST
- Present spiritual dynamic in us / to us from Christ's resurrection
 - Ephesians 2:6 - now co-raised. co-seated
 - Colossians 2:9-12 , 3:1-4
 - // born again

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- Applications:
 - Prayer for assurance and appreciation Eph 1:18
 - Exhortation to "seek"/"set minds on" things above Col 3:1
 - Command to live in accordance with our new status in Christ ("actively be what you are")
 - Put to death Col 2:20-22
 - Put on Christ-things Col 3:9 ~ community, human living
 - ==> let's do so!