

## Easter: Death Defeated

(Romans 5:14 GNT) "From the time of Adam... **death ruled** over all human beings, even over those who did not sin in the same way that Adam did when he disobeyed God's command..."

(Romans 5:17 GNT) It is true that through the sin of one man (Adam) **death began to rule** because of that one man. But how much greater is the result of what was done by the one man, Jesus Christ! All who receive God's abundant grace and are freely put right with him **will rule in life through Christ**.

### Death Reigns

✓ Emotional death

✓ Relational death

✓ Spiritual death

(Romans 8:11 Message) It stands to reason, doesn't it, that if the alive-and-present God who raised Jesus from the dead moves into your life, he'll do the same thing in you that he did in Jesus, bringing you alive to himself? When God lives and breathes in you, you are delivered from that **dead life**. With his Spirit living in you, your body will be as alive as Christ's!

(John 14:19 NIV) Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

### Death Defeated

1. Search

2. Rescue

3. Restore

4. Redeem

(2 Timothy 1:9-10 GNT) "He saved us and called us to be his own people, not because of what we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace. He gave us this grace by means of Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but now it has been revealed to us through the coming of our Savior, Christ Jesus. **He has ended the power of death** and through the gospel has revealed immortal life."

(Ephesians 1:20 LB) "I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great his power is to help those who believe him... the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead."