



**\*Hymn 287**

“Morning Sun”

On the first day of the week Mary came,  
The grave to seek.  
Jesus met her by the way,  
On that first Resurrection Day!

*Chorus*

Rising like the morning sun,  
Bringing hope to everyone who sees Him,  
Praise the Lord! His work was done,  
Jesus is my morning sun!

Hiding in that secret room,  
His disciples, full of gloom and sorrow,  
Suddenly, the Lord appeared,  
Death is conquered! Dry your tears!

*Chorus*

Then, at last, on the mountaintop,  
Angels told them, you should stop your crying,  
Jesus Christ will come again,  
What a glad reunion then!

*Chorus***Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 37:1-10

**Congregational Prayer**

O God of my exodus,  
Great was the joy of Israel’s sons  
When Egypt died upon the shore,  
Far greater the joy  
When the Redeemer’s foe lay crushed in the dust!

Jesus strides forth as the victor,  
Conqueror of death, hell, and all opposing might;  
He bursts the bands of death,  
Tramples the powers of darkness down,  
And lives forever.

He, my gracious surety,  
Given for payment of my debt,  
Comes forth from the prison house of the grave  
Free, and triumphant over sin, Satan, and death.

Show me that His vicarious offering is accepted,  
That the claims of justice are satisfied,  
That the devil’s scepter is shattered,  
That his wrongful throne is leveled.

Give me the assurance that in Christ I died,  
In Him I rose,  
In His life I live,  
In His victory I triumph,  
In His ascension I shall be glorified.

**Assurance of Pardon**

1 Corinthians 15:17, 20

**\*Hymn 267**

“The Day of Resurrection!”

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
The Passover of gladness,  
The Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
From this world to the sky,  
Our Christ hath brought us over  
With hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
That we may see aright  
The Lord in rays eternal  
Of resurrection light;  
And listening to His accents,  
May hear, so calm and plain,  
His own "All hail!" and hearing,  
May raise the victor strain.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful,  
Let earth her song begin;  
Let the round world keep triumph,  
And all that is therein;  
Invisible and visible,  
Their notes let all things blend,  
For Christ the Lord hath risen,  
Our joy that hath no end.

**New Testament Reading**

Luke 24:1-12

**Message**

*"GOD'S ARMY OF RESURRECTED SAINTS"*

**\*Hymn 277**

*"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia!  
Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids His rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!  
Praise to Thee by both be given, Alleluia!  
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!  
Hail the Resurrection, Thou, Alleluia!

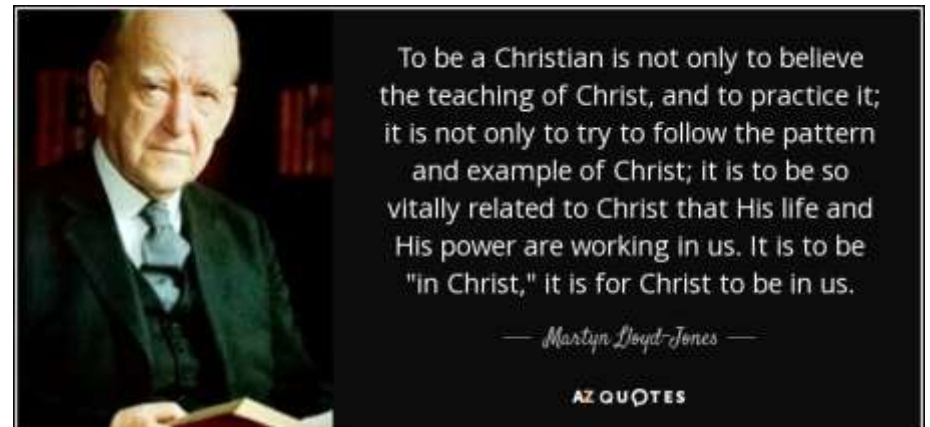
**\*God Blesses His People**

2 Corinthians 13:14

**\*Hymn 731**

*"Doxology"*

*Martyn Lloyd-Jones on "Dead" Orthodoxy*



"We come now to another step in this matter of hindrances to revival...I cannot think of a better

description of this than the term 'dead' orthodoxy ... It is the greatest danger confronting the individual who is evangelical in his outlook ...

There is nothing vital in the religion and in the worship of such people. They expect nothing, and they get nothing, and nothing happens to them. They go to God's house, not with the idea of meeting with God, not with the idea of waiting upon him; it never crosses their minds or enters into their hearts that something may happen in a service. No, we always do this on Sunday morning. It is our custom. It is our habit. It is a right thing to do. But the idea that God may suddenly visit his people and descend upon them, the whole thrill of being in the presence of God, and sensing his nearness, and his power, never even enters their imaginations ...

Do we go to God's house expecting something to happen? Or do we go just to listen to a sermon, and to sing our hymns, and to meet with one another? How often does this vital idea enter into our minds that we are in the presence of the living God, that the Holy Spirit is in the Church, that we may feel the touch of his power? How much do we think in terms of coming together to meet with God, and to worship him, and to stand before him, and to listen to him? Is there not this appalling danger that we are just content because we have correct beliefs? And we have lost the life, the vital thing, the power, the thing that really makes worship worship, which is in Spirit and truth."

David Martyn Lloyd-Jones, *Revival* (Westchester, Illinois: Crossway Books, 1987), pp. 68-72.



### **“THE MISSION OF THE RESURRECTED ARMY”**

Ezekiel 37:1-10; Luke 24:1-12

Rom 4:25. One might wonder, “Why didn't He appear to more people?” Ezek 37. “He Lives.” Eph 1:19-20; 6:10-18. Origen: *Against Celsus*. I Thess 2:13.

### **I. THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF WITNESSES TO THE RESURRECTION**

#### **A. Eye-Witnesses Preached What They Had Seen**

Acts 2:32; 3:14-15; 4:20, 33; 5:32; 13:31; 1 John 1:1

#### **B. Heart-Witnesses Preached What They Had Received**

Acts 8:3-4; 11:19; 1 Cor 6:9-11

## **II. TODAY WE TESTIFY WITH A CHANGED AND CHANGING LIFE**

### **A. We Corroborate our Testimony with Heart Experience**

Phil 3:4-16; Acts 4:20

### **B. Paul is No Ephraimite!**

Ps 78:9-11; Judg 8:1-3; Eph 6:10-18; 1 Cor 9:19-23. Alfred Ackley: "He lives! I tell you; He is not dead, but lives here and now! Jesus Christ is more alive today than ever before. I can prove it by my own experience, as well as the testimony of countless others."

*Conclusion*