



HOPE ANTHEM CHURCH

The trouble with Christianity! Easter Sunday

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What troubles me most about Christianity?

The challenge of reconciling the concept of: _____ & a loving God!

Read: Luke 16:19-21

Lazarus is _____, while the rich man is defined by his _____.

Lazarus has a _____, while the rich man enjoys daily _____.

Read: Luke 16:22-23

What is sin?

Sin is when I build my _____ on anything over _____.

If I make _____ other than God, more important to my significance & security, then my life, the roots of my identity, will be found in self-_____ & self-_____.

A Fire Grows in my Bones!

- ✓ _____ - *It creates an inward and outward devastation in my life.*
- ✓ _____ - *I need more of the substance to get less of the satisfaction.*
- ✓ _____ - *I must lie, defend myself, & blame everyone else for all my issues.*
- ✓ _____ - *I refuse to see what is really happening in me and around me.*

Read: Luke 16:24-31

The result of my life, if lived for _____ sake, will be the rich man's _____.

If the _____ in me doesn't get put out, what will it eventually turn in to?

The Rich Man:

The primary reason he doesn't repent is from a _____, not because he was lacking _____.

Hell is a freely _____ identity, based on something growing in my heart _____, other than _____!

Extra Notes: _____



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The Week Following Easter: How will I improve this week?

Jesus loves me the way He finds me today, but He loves me too much for me to stay this way. If I'm going to make a difference for Him with my life in 2024, then I must grow in HIM!

*(Fill in the blank answers are **UPSIDE DOWN** at the bottom of the days devotion!)*

Monday: April 1

- Read: Luke 16:1-17 // Matthew 6:19-34
- We need an _____ on how we handle & steward our resources.
- Christians should be _____ and _____ with their resources.
- Christians should _____ God first, not money.
- Our disobedience to God in the way we leverage our resources for His glory and the good of others reveals a _____ in us.

(eternal perspective // wise, generous // worship // heart issue)

Tuesday: April 2

- Read: Luke 16:18 (Other scriptures: Matthew 5:31-32 // 1 Corinthians 7:10-16 // Genesis 2:24)
- Our question must be "What does the _____ say?" NOT "What does the _____ say?"

Foundational Truths about Marriage & Divorce

- God _____ marriage and created it to be a permanent covenant and a pure picture of the Gospel.
- God _____ divorce. He hates its causes and its consequences.
- The Bible _____ divorce but never _____ divorce.
 - o _____ is always the goal of the Gospel!
- God can _____ divorce.
 - o God is always _____ and always _____.

Word, world // loves // hates // permits, promotes // Reconciliation // Redeem // forgiving, faithful

Wednesday: April 3

- Proverbs 3
- I need to write down all the areas in my life that I am struggling to Trust God for.
- I need to pray and confess and ask God to forgive me for refusing to Trust Him!

Thursday: April 4

- Proverbs 4
- Which verses are speaking most to me about adding wisdom back into my life?
- Where is wisdom lacking right now in my mind, heart, and emotions? Decisions?

Friday: April 5

- Proverbs 5
- Am I chasing lust and the actions that come with it?
- What decision can I make today to defeat and destroy lust // adultery in my life?

Saturday: April 6

- Read Luke 17 in preparation for Sunday!
- Who SHOULD I invite to attend church with me tomorrow?