THE POWER OF EASTER #SermonEaster Easter Sunday

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Philippians 3:10 All I want is to know Christ and to **experience the power** of his resurrection... (TEV)

Ephesians 1:19-20 I pray that you will begin to understand **how incredibly great his power is** to help those who believe him. It is that same mighty power ²⁰ that **raised Christ from the dead...** (LB)

What is "Resurrection Power"?

1. THE POWER TO CANCEL YOUR PAST

Isaiah 43:18 The Lord says, "Forget what happened before. **Do not think about the past**." (ICB)

Colossians 2:13-14 You were dead because of your sins... Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. ¹⁴ He canceled the record of the charges against us and **took it away** by nailing it to the cross. (NLT)

Romans 8:1 Those who are <u>believers in Christ</u> Jesus can <u>no longer be condemned</u>. (GW)

Jeremiah 31:34b ...the Lord says, "I will forgive and forget their sins." (LB)

2. THE POWER TO CONQUER YOUR PROBLEMS

Romans 8:35, 37 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?... ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. (NIV)

3. THE POWER TO CHANGE YOU PERSONALLY

2 Corinthians 5:17 When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a **brand new person** inside. He is **not the same anymore**. A **new life has begun**! (LB)

Romans 12:2 Don't let the world squeeze you into it's mold, but <u>let God remake you</u> so that your whole attitude of mind is changed. (PH)

John 6:63a What gives life is God's Spirit; human power is of no use at all. The

words I have spoken to you bring God's life-giving Spirit. (TEV)

Exodus 8:8-10a Then Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and begged, "Plead with the LORD to take the frogs away from me and my people. I will let your people go, so they can offer sacrifices to the LORD." "You set the time!" Moses replied. "Tell me when you want me to pray for you, your officials, and your people. Then you and your houses will be rid of the frogs. They will remain only in the Nile River." "Do it **tomorrow**," Pharaoh said. (NLT)