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Weekly Message

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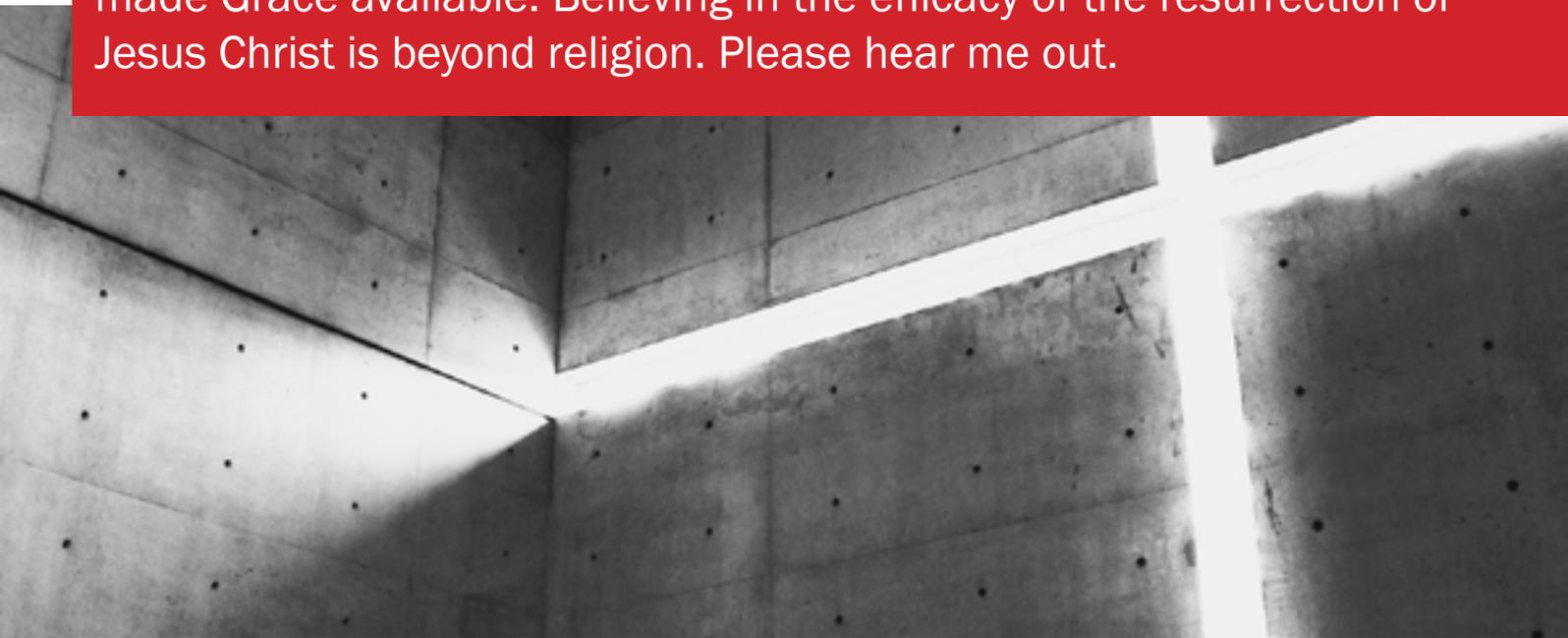


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CAN WE ALL BECOME CARRIERS OF GRACE?

My view: Certainly, yes. The resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ made Grace available. Believing in the efficacy of the resurrection of Jesus Christ is beyond religion. Please hear me out.



Sometime ago, Man violated the instruction of God, sinned and became evil. I recognize that this view may not be universally acceptable, however it would be foolhardy for anyone to deny that man is innately evil. Good men and women exist only by a conscious decision and concerted effort to be so. I also hope it is non controversial that evil draws negative consequences sooner or later, directly or indirectly. Becoming a recipient and thus a carrier of Grace is therefore not automatic with man. In fact, it must be counterintuitive given the significant frailty of man. The Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ and the possibility it brought to man gives the explanation to this apparent paradox. Mercy: avoidance of consequential negative repercussions and Grace: performance beyond weaknesses is possible for man through the acceptance of the Provisions of the cross and the resurrection.

SO HOW DID THE RESURRECTION MADE GRACE AVAILABLE ?

The violation of Divine instructions opened the door to Curses and death. This was however not the original intent of God who out of love and the desire for fellowship created man in his own image. The benevolence of God brought mercy to man which was executed by the death of Jesus Christ as he took on the consequences of man's sin. If Jesus merely died and did not resurrect, man's sin would have been paid for with no further advantages.



But Jesus Christ resurrected, making him the only 'man' to date who has done so. (Jesus was both man and God and now he remains God, haven accomplished the purpose for which he became man). For every other story of a man who died and came back to life, they all die and or expect to die in the future. These are stories of resuscitations , Jesus rose and would never die again. This is resurrection which we celebrate this season! Today and forever; as long as the earth exists, man has an advocate who pleads for us and provides help every time it is required. He is both the source and sustainer of Grace as the ever present advocate of man. Jesus Christ is not indifferent to man, He is our sponsor!

We celebrate **resurrection**
and He who **resurrected**
because it made Grace available.

Hallelujah

When Jesus resurrected, He took even a more revered position upon his return. Here we learn that sacrifice makes us not only experience Grace, we become a carrier of Grace thereby. As we celebrate this season, let's take a moment to ponder on the sacrifice (s) we are willing and are paying for the Grace and height we desire?

**That is the only way to
the top.**

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