APRIL 28

"EVERYBODY LIVES FOREVER SOMEWHERE."

READ

2 Timothy 1:6-12

Jesus brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Through His resurrection, He became the first fruits of all who die in the faith. If you know Jesus, you will never die. They might put me in a wooden box, but I won't be dead. I'll breathe my last breath on this earth and wake up in the arms of Jesus. For the believer, death is not the end, it's when we begin eternal life in His presence. There will be a "great gettin' up morning," a time when everyone in the grave will hear His voice, their physical body will be resurrected, and they will live forever somewhere. The second resurrection is the resurrection of the unjust, the wicked, those who do not know Jesus as Lord. It is a resurrection of eternal judgment and torment forever. But the first resurrection is a resurrection of life! The righteous who have received the gospel and believed on the Lord Jesus Christ will spend eternity with Him. When Jesus walked out of the tomb that day, He walked out with the keys to immortality. Give Him your life, He will keep what you've committed to Him until that day.

PRAY

God, what good news the gospel is! You loved the world so much that You gave Your only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. My heart breaks for those headed for the second resurrection. Save them before it's too late.

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