

# DEATH, BURIAL, RESURRECTION

*Easter*

*March 31, 2024*

## KEY SCRIPTURES

- [Colossians 1:15](#)
- [1 Corinthians 15:1-4](#)
- [Isaiah 52:13-14](#)
- [Isaiah 53:1-7](#)
- [Acts 13:28-42](#)
- [Romans 10:8-11](#)

## KEY POINTS

- Sin has marred the image of God we were made in.
- Praise God for the perfect image-bearer, Jesus.
- Songs were sung 3,000 years before Jesus was crucified with lyrics that were lived out through His death, burial, and resurrection.
- The early church begged to hear the Good News repeated.
- The Good News isn't really good until you apply it.

## DISCUSSION

1. How do you remember Easter as a child?
2. How has Easter changed over the years in your family?
3. What does the unrecognizable state of Jesus on the cross say to you about sin?
4. Why do you think the early church begged to hear the same message Peter shared in Acts 13?
5. Please encourage each other with a time of prayer.

## THE GOSPEL OF THE WALL OF JERICHO

Your wall, O wicked Jericho, your ancient, mighty wall,  
Your shame, where you have made your infants' blood renowned,  
Your boast, your monument, your Babel, tall  
And endless on its side, bent 'round  
Into a ring, a thrust,  
Betrothing you  
To dust;

Your wall, your peace, your life you thought would ever thrive,  
Now hollowed with four centuries of pride  
Into a labyrinthine hive  
Of honeyed lust inside,  
With brothels all  
Will fall;

But for one slender segment, with it's rooms  
And beds and washing bowls and creams  
And ointments and perfumes,  
Enflaming dreams,  
Now screams;

Where Rahab and her kindred hide,  
All hanging by a thread  
The spies supplied  
And said

Would save, if they obeyed.  
They 'wait the blade  
In dread;

But there, instead  
Of sword,

The cord.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> John Piper, "The Gospel of the Wall of Jericho," *Desiring God*, April 10, 2003, <https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/the-gospel-of-the-wall-of-jericho>.