

Message Outline

Introduction: 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT2) ¹⁷ This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person [creation]. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

"The resurrection is not only *new creation*. It is *new creation*." - N.T. Wright

I. A New _____ Jn 20:19,21,26

John 20:17

John 14:27

John 16:33

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Outline (continued)

II. A New _____ John 20:22

Breathe reminds us of: Genesis 2:7 Ezekiel 37:4-14

Receive the Holy Spirit fulfills Jesus' words in
John 14:16-18; John 16:7,13-14

Luke 11:10-13



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III. A New _____ One John 20:26-29

Thomas' Bio: Thomas – prone to gloom (John 11:16),
difficult to convince (John 14:5).

John 20:27 John 20:28



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IV. A New _____ John 20:21,23

John 20:21 John 20:23

Only God can forgive sins: Mark 2:7,10

John 20:31



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Conclusion:

Romans 8:32 (NASB) ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

Habakkuk 3:17-19



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Post-resurrection Appearances

To Mary Magdalene

To the women returning from the tomb

To Peter later in the day

To the disciples going to Emmaus in the evening

To the apostles (except Thomas)

To the apostles a week later (Thomas present)

In Galilee to the seven by the Lake of Tiberias

In Galilee on a mountain to the apostles and 500 believers

At Jerusalem and Bethany again to James

At Olivet and the ascension

To Paul near Damascus

To Stephen outside Jerusalem

To Paul in the temple

To John on Patmos

Jn 20:14-18; Mk 16:9

Mt 28:8-10

Lk 24:34; 1 Cor 15:5

Lk 24:13-31

Lk 24:36-45; Jn 20:19-24

Jn 20:24-29

Jn 21:1-23

1 Cor 15:6

1 Cor 15:7

Acts 1:3-12

Acts 9:3-6; 1 Cor 15:8

Acts 7:55

Acts 22:17-21; 23:11

Rev 1:10-19



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Merril F. Unger, [The New Unger's Bible Handbook](#), Revised by Gary N. Larson, Moody Press, Chicago, 1984, pp. 397-398.

Message Presentation Slides:

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John 20:19-31 (NASB)



I. A New Peace

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19 So when it was evening on
that day, the first *day* of the
week, and when the doors
were shut where the disciples
were, for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their
midst and *said to them,
"Peace *be* with you."

John 20:19
(NASB)



²⁰ And when He had said this,
He showed them both His
hands and His side. The
disciples then rejoiced when
they saw the Lord.

John 20:20
(NASB)



¹⁷ Jesus *said to her, "Stop clinging to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.'"

John 20:17
(NASB)



21 So Jesus said to them
again, "Peace *be* with you;
as the Father has sent Me,
I also send you."

John 20:21
(NASB)



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22 And when He had said this,
He breathed on them and
*said to them, "Receive the
Holy Spirit.

John 20:22
(NASB)



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III. A New Preeminent One

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24 But Thomas, one of the
twelve, called Didymus, was
not with them when Jesus
came.

John 20:24
(NASB)



25 So the other disciples were saying to him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

John 20:25
(NASB)



26 After eight days His
disciples were again inside,
and Thomas with them. Jesus
*came, the doors having been
shut, and stood in their midst
and said, "Peace *be* with you."

John 20:26
(NASB)



27 Then He *said to Thomas,
"Reach here with your finger,
and see My hands; and reach
here your hand and put it into
My side; and do not be
unbelieving, but believing."

John 20:27
(NASB)



28 Thomas answered and said
to Him, "My Lord and my
God!"

John 20:28
(NASB)



29 Jesus *said to him, "Because
you have seen Me, have you
believed? Blessed are they
who did not see, and yet
believed."

John 20:29
(NASB)



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IV. A New Purpose

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21 So Jesus said to them
again, "Peace *be* with you;
as the Father has sent Me,
I also send you."

John 20:21
(NASB)



23 "If you forgive the sins of
any, *their sins* have been
forgiven them; if you retain the
sins of any, they have been
retained."

John 20:23
(NASB)



³⁰ Therefore many other signs
Jesus also performed in the
presence of the disciples,
which are not written in this
book;

John 20:30
(NASB)



³¹ but these have been written
so that you may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God; and that believing you
may have life in His name.

John 20:31
(NASB)





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John 20:19-31 (NASB)

Questions

1. When you think of death, what memories and emotions do you have?
2. When you think of Easter and the resurrection of Jesus, what memories and emotions do you have?
3. What do these passages suggest about the resurrected Jesus, especially about His body?

John 20:14; 21:4

John 20:19,26

John 20:20,27

4. What kind of resurrection body will we as believers have?
(Study 1 Corinthians 15 for more light on this subject).



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5. What is your struggle to have and maintain peace in the course of life? Are you more anxious or more peaceful and tranquil? Are you more the glass is half-full or the glass is half-empty?
6. How does Jesus' resurrection deal with the fear and shyness of the disciples? How can the reality of Jesus resurrection deal with your fear and anxiety?
7. Doubting Thomas has his doubts dealt with by Jesus' resurrection. How do you relate to Thomas' doubts and personality?



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8. What is significant about each part of the affirmation of “my Lord and my God” in John 20:28 by Thomas?
9. In what practical ways can we carry out Jesus’ commission to ‘forgive’ and ‘retain’ sins (John 20:23) – that is, to extend Jesus’ forgiveness to others, while yet warning the world that sin is a serious, deadly disease?
10. ‘As the Father has sent me, I am sending you’ (John 20:21). What does this comparison tell you about the mission Jesus has given to His followers?



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