

The Joy of Easter

Revelation 14:1-5

📖 Hebrews 12:2 (NIV84) "... for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

📖 Revelation 14:1–5 (NIV84) Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had His name and His Father's name written on their foreheads. ² And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. ³ And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. ⁴ These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure. They follow the Lamb wherever He goes. They were purchased from among men and offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb. ⁵ No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless."

Jesus Rose Again for the Joy of [standing victorious with His saints](#).

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📖 Ephesians 1:13–14 (ESV) "In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee (=down payment) of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory."

📖 John 6:39–40 (NIV84) "And this is the will of Him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that He has given me, but raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁰ For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise Him up at the last day."

Jesus Rose Again for the Joy of [hearing the redeemed sing](#).

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📖 Psalm 40:1–3 (NLT) "I waited patiently for the Lord to help me, and He turned to me and heard my cry. ² He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I

walked along. ³ He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see what He has done and be amazed. They will put their trust in the Lord."

Jesus Rose Again for the Joy of [presenting His faithful followers](#).

📖 Revelation 14:4-5 (NIV84) "These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure. They follow the Lamb wherever He goes. They were purchased from among men and offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb. ⁵ No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless."

📖 2 Peter 3:14 (NIV84) "So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with Him."

Digging Deeper: In today's message, is there a promise to trust, a command to obey, a truth to embrace, a warning to heed, or an encouragement to rest in?  What did you learn about God, about yourself, or about the world today? Is there one verse or thought that stands out?