

The Joy of Easter

by Mary Wilder Tileston

Easter joy is a reality rooted in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and it is a gift to be shared with others.

Scripture: John 16:22

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Description

Mary Wilder Tileston preaches about the transformative power of Christ's death and resurrection, emphasizing that those who believe should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died and rose again. She encourages a life of continuous thanksgiving and praise, centered on the reality of Christ's sacrifice. Tileston urges believers to seek Christ's living presence and to carry the joy of Easter into their homes, work, and hearts, spreading unselfish love and service. She highlights the hope and expectation of eternal reunion through the proclamation 'Jesus lives!' at the grave-side.

Transcript

He died for all, that they which live should no longer live unto themselves, but unto Him who for their sakes died and rose again.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:15 (R. V.) I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

JOHN 16:22

THEN let thy life through all its ways

One long thanksgiving be,

Its theme of joy, its song of praise,

"Christ died, and rose for me."

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IF you come to seek His face, not in the empty sepulchre, but in the living power of His presence, as indeed realizing that He has finished His glorious work, and is alive for evermore, then your hearts will be full of true Easter joy, and that joy will shed itself abroad in your homes. And let your joy not end with the

hymns and the prayers and the communions in His house. Take with you the joy of Easter to the home, and make that home bright with more unselfish love, more hearty service; take it into your work, and do all in the name of the Lord Jesus; take it to your heart, and let that heart rise anew on Easter wings to a higher, a gladder, a fuller life; take it to the dear grave-side and say there the two words "Jesus lives!" and find in them the secret of calm expectation, the hope of eternal reunion.

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