COS Sunday Devotional Streaming Third Sunday of Easter 04/26/20

Prelude Music

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Welcome

During the Easter Season, we will consider **An Easter Perspective of Obedience.** Each week we will look at the Easter perspective in a different way. Today we examine **The Heart over the Head.** Our world today nearly always favors the "head" over the "heart." Emotions can be dangerous guides, but thinking everything through is an illusion, too.

Invocation

We gather this morning, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

The Psalm for today is – **Psalm 116**, and in **verses 1 & 2** it says... *"I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.* ² *Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live."*

Confession & Absolution

Absolution

Music for Meditation

In the garden, the world was good, Everything was right as Adam walked the woods. Still his heart was incomplete, For the Father had withheld the final piece. So he laid his creature down to sleep.

And He opened his side, To make a bride. Out of one he made another come to life. Perfect love, magnified, A new creation from his side.

In another garden, God saw His own. Once again He found a Man alone. But He would not help this time, Pastor Ed

The Bride, Kip Fox

For the only way to bridge the great divide Was to His let only Son be crucified.

So He turned from His side, To save the bride. Out of One He gave the other back her life. Perfect love, condemned to die, Blood and water from His side.

The Son would rise again to set her free, Thomas had to see it to believe.

So He unveiled His side To show the bride He had conquered death that she would have new life. Son of God, lifted high, To join the Father at His side, And walk the garden with the bride.

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: ³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." ³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Second Reading

¹⁷ And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰ He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you ²¹ who through him are believers in God, who

1 Peter 1:17-25

raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²² Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³ since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴ for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls,
²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Ed

Online Sharing of the Peace

Offering Music

Abide with Me, Matt Maher

I have a home, eternal home, But for now I walk this broken world. You walked it first, You know our pain, But You show hope can rise again up from the grave.

Abide with me, abide with me. Don't let me fall, and don't let go. Walk with me and never leave, Ever close, God abide with me.

There in the night, Gethsemane, Before the cross, before the nails, Overwhelmed, alone You prayed. You met us in our suffering and bore our shame.

Abide with me, abide with me. Don't let me fall, and don't let go. Walk with me and never leave, Ever close, God abide with me.

Oh love that will not ever let me go, Love that will not ever let me go, You never let me go. Love that will not ever let me go, Oh You never let us go.

And up ahead, eternity, We'll weep no more, we'll sing for joy, abide with me

Congregational Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13–35

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles[®] from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. "And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁹So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us

the Scriptures?" ³³ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Devotional Message

Pastor Ely Prieto

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Final Music

Because He Lives, Matt Maher

I believe in the Son. I believe in the risen One. I believe I overcome By the power of His blood.

Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive, Because He lives! Amen, Amen, Let my song join the one that never ends Because He lives!

I was dead in the grave, I was covered in sin and shame. I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away.

Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives! Amen, Amen, Let my song join the one that never ends Because He lives!

I can face tomorrow, Because He lives. Every fear is gone, I know He holds my life, my future in His hands. Amen, Amen I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives! Amen, Amen, Let my song join the one that never ends Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives!

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