

**“Easter Changes Everything”**  
**Romans 1:16**

Picture #1

Picture #2

**Romans 3:23** *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God*

Our sin separates us from God.

**Romans 1:16** *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

**Question #1:** What is the gospel?

**I Corinthians 15:1** *Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand,*

**I Corinthians 15:3-4** *For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,*

-Jesus died for my sins.

-Jesus was buried.

-Jesus was raised from the dead!

**Question #2:** What makes the gospel so special?

-I experience the power of forgiveness.

**Romans 4:7** *“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven ...”*

**Psalms 103:12** *as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.*

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**Micah 7:18-19** *Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.*

**Romans 4:7-8** *“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.”*

**Isaiah 38:17** *Behold, it was for my welfare that I had great bitterness; but in love you have delivered my life from the pit of destruction, for you have cast all my sins behind your back.*

-I experience the power of His life in me.

**Romans 8:11** *If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.*

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**Question #3:** Who can experience the life-changing power of the gospel?

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Believing isn't just acknowledging some facts; it's about surrendering my life to Jesus.