

## The Jesus Trip, Good Times Bad Times

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**Gospels:** Jesus like photo graph. **Matthew 9:35** *“Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages...”*

**Pauls Letters:** CT Scan inner workings of the Gospel of Grace **2 Corinthians 5:19** *“... God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself...”*

**Philippians 2:5-8** *“You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had ... he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal’s death on a cross.”*

**Bad Times:** overcoming on your worst days. Taken From Jesus’ **7 Statements From The Cross.**

**2 Corinthians 5:21** *“For He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us**, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”*

### 1. Forgive Everyone Trying To Ruin Your Life.

**Luke 23:34** *“Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them, for they don’t know what they are doing.’”*

Many bad days are the result of another’s behaviour. Don’t be victimized.

### 2. Focus On Others In Your Time Of Pain.

**Luke 23:43** *“I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise.”*

Don’t allow what you are going through to make you selfish. Best therapy is to give.

### 3. Fulfill Your responsibility To Those Near You.

**John 19:26-27** *“Dear woman, here is your son.” And he said to this disciple, “Here is your mother.”*

He died for your sin and took care of His family on the same day. **Be responsible.**

### 4. Direct All Your Tough Question To God.

**Matthew 27:46** *“My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?” (PSALM 22 ... Identification feeling)*

Get in the Word. PRAY! Turn to God ... He is ready to act for you.

### 5. Keep Focused on the Mission — DETAILS — Freedom!!!

John 19:28-30 *“Jesus knew that his mission was now finished, and to fulfill Scripture he said, ‘I am thirsty.’ A jar of sour wine was sitting there, ... and held it up to his lips. When Jesus had tasted it, he said, “It is finished!” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”*

**Jeremiah 31:29-31, 34** *“In those days they shall say no more: ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, And the children’s teeth are set on edge.’ But every one shall die for his own iniquity; every man who eats the sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge.”*

*“Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— ... For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”*

### 6. Keep The End In Sight.

**John 19:30** *“It is finished.” (Paid In Full)*

This is the final sacrifice for sin. Heb. 12:2 *“...who for the joy set before him endured the cross,...”* You are victorious! Already won! The Result Is Secure

## 7. Let Go And Let God

**Luke 23:46** *“Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit:”*

Father I completely trust you! Rest In His Faithfulness

Tomb of: Henriette Juliane Caroline von Ruling (1756-1782) Not A Believer ... Despised Faith!!!

**Hanover Germany** **“May this tomb bought for eternity never be opened.”**

**Acts 4:2** *“Peter and John were teaching the people that through Jesus there is a resurrection of the dead.”*

**Acts 4:33** *“And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.”*

**1Corinthians 15:17** (AMP) *“And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is mere delusion [futile, fruitless], and you are still in your sins [under the control and penalty of sin];”*

**John 20:1-20** *“Jesus said to her, Woman, why are you crying [so]? For Whom are you looking? Supposing that it was the gardener, she replied, Sir, if you carried Him away from here, tell me where you have put Him and I will take Him away. Jesus said to her, Mary!”*

### 7 Sayings Of A Risen Savior

1. **“Why Are You Crying?”** vs. 15

He is the solution for every tear. **Psalm 56:8** *“...put my tears into Your bottle--are they not in Your book?”*

**Isaiah 25:8** *“...he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces;”*

2. **“Mary”** vs. 16

He knows your name. The resurrected Christ is a personal saviour.

2 Samuel 22:1-20

“My God, my Rock, in Him will I take refuge; my Shield and the Horn of my salvation; my Stronghold and my Refuge, my Savior...”

3. **“Go ... and tell them.”** vs. 17

We experience healing and restoration so that we can take up His commission.

You know you’ve been impacted by the resurrection when you go and tell others: “I have seen the Lord!” vs.18

4. **“Peace be with you!”** vs. 19

He brings total restoration. **Shalom**:-- peace, completeness, soundness, safety, welfare, health, prosperity, friendship.

Nothing missing, nothing broken, nothing lost!!!

5. **“Receive The Holy Spirit.”**22

He gives us the person of the Holy Spirit to fulfill His commission. His work demands His Spirit.

Romans 8:11 *“...he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.”*

6. **“Stop Doubting And Believe”**27

He will enter into your prison of doubt and fear and encourage your faith.

So many times in the word we see **Jesus in the middle.**

Isaiah 6:1-8 Isaiah just lost a close friend

Judges 6:12 Gideon Surrounded By Enemies hopeless

Acts 27:22-25 Paul a prisoner ship wreck ... Jesus shows up ... your going to be fine!!!

7. ***"Blessed...that have not seen"*** vs. 29 **MORE BLESSED!!!**

There is a promise of greater blessings for us. We will experience the on going intimate fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

**John 16:7** *"It is expedient ... I go away: ... **Comforter... I will send him unto you.**"*

## **Communion Service**

### **Romans 6:1-14**

*"What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? 3 **Or do you not know** that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*

*5 **For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this**, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be [a]done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. 7 For he who has died has been [b]freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, [c]reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

*12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. 13 And do not present your members as [d]instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace."*

**He died and he was raised from the dead.**

**I died with Him and I am Raised with Him.**