



Resurrection Day

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During the approach to Easter 2018 I was thinking about how Easter Sunday is the most important day in the Christian calendar. The first Easter Sunday was the day when the future of mankind was completely transformed by Jesus Christ through His resurrection and His whole life had been leading up to this triumphant moment.

I suddenly found myself thinking about how it would be lovely to have a poem that rejoices in what He achieved for us and soon felt inspired to write "Resurrection Day."

Praise the Lord! Rejoice and sing! Not only is there joy in Spring!
May I be the first to say, "Happy Resurrection Day!"
Christ is Risen! This we know so let our praises overflow.
Worship Him who broke the chains, in Heaven He forever reigns!

Let's lift our hands in exaltation, giving thanks for our salvation.
Messiah's day at Calvary has won for us the victory!
Peace with God we can enjoy, let any tears be those of joy
For this is not a day for strife, rejoice in Christ who bought us life!

A miracle of God occurred and sin had not the final word!
The sting of death is gone at last, the brutal Cross is in the past.
Prepare your heart and make some room for Him who left an empty tomb!
Our freedom Jesus Christ has won! Let's praise His name, the work is done!

Oh Risen Saviour, Morning Star, we celebrate how great You are.
Let trumpets sound and voices sing, we praise our awesome King of kings!
Lord have our hearts of admiration, hear these songs of adoration.
We honour You in every way, this joyous Resurrection Day!

Matthew 28:1-10

"Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men.

But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you."

So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "Rejoice!" So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."