April 16, 2017 The Bridge Bible Fellowship Pastor Paul S. Brown Selected Scriptures

"Amazing Love!"

Americans love Easter! More money will be spent this year on Easter than on Valentine's Day. But a lot of Americans don't understand Easter. They may know some FACTS about Easter (including the resurrection of Jesus), but they draw wrong CONCLUSIONS.

What do real followers of Jesus **KNOW**? What do they **CONCLUDE** from what they know? How do they **RESPOND** to what they know?

- 1. Salvation is a Free Gift, purchased by the precious blood of Jesus Christ. He died in my place!
 - 1 Pet. 1:18-19; Eph. 1:7, 14 –
 - Gal. 2:20 -
 - 1 Tim. 1; Acts 9 –

How can it be that GOD would die for me? Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 3:1; 4:10

- 2. Jesus is God who became a man. He left the glory of heaven and humbly came to earth to fulfill His Father's will. He came to die in our place so we could experience the grace and mercy of God instead of His judgment for our sins.
 - John 6:38 –
 - Phil. 2:5-8 –
 - 2 Cor. 8:9 –
 - Rom. 5:8, 10, 12ff; 1 Cor. 15:20-22; Rev. 5:9 –
 - Rom. 11:32; 1 Tim. 1:15f; Titus 3:3-7 –
- 3. Jesus rose. He is alive. He has conquered sin and death. He offers forgiveness of sins, righteousness, and eternal life as a free gift to all who will come to Him by faith. For those of us who truly believe this good news, repent of our sins, and trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, our relationship with God is completely changed! No longer guilty. Alive in Jesus Christ. Clothed in His righteousness forever. Able to boldly come to God in prayer about everything. And rewards await us in heaven for our service here on earth.
 - Rom. 8:1f, 32 –
 - Gal. 2:20 –
 - Eph. 2:4-9 –
 - Mt. 28; Mk. 16; Lk. 24; Jn. 20; 1 Cor. 15 –
 - Col. 1:18 –
 - Heb. 7:23-28 –
 - Is. 64:6 cf. 61:10 –
 - Phil. 3:9 –
 - Heb. 4:12-16; 10:19-22 –
 - 2 Tim. 4:7-8 –