



Doug's Reflection

04-05-26 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Today we celebrate! We celebrate the risen Lord! We celebrate the stone being rolled away! Today is a day of joyous celebration! As a popular hymn sings: "He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!" But we should NEVER forget what made today possible: the cross; an instrument of torture which has become the symbol of our faith. Think of what that means! An instrument of torture, given meaning by our risen Lord! Can you imagine wearing an electric chair around your neck; or a guillotine? That would be pretty macabre, wouldn't it? It wouldn't have any meaning. The cross does. It does because before Jesus rose He had to die! The cross and the empty tomb are inextricably linked! Jesus rose because Jesus first died. And in rising, He gave us eternal life, just as He has eternal life. WOW!!! What a gift!