# Why Easter Matters!

When God Spoke!

"I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13 ESV

Easter is the Only Door to \_\_\_\_\_\_ with My Creator!

# When God

#### - Jesus'

"Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holv Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."" Luke 3:21–22 ESV

#### - Jesus'

"And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!"" Luke 9:35 ESV

#### - Jesus'

""Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."" John 12:27–28 ESV

(*Revelation 4:11, 5:12*)

My Relationship with Jesus Demands of My Will

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my voke is easy, and my burden is light."" *Matthew* 11:28–30 *ESV* 

# Jesus'

**Esus'** Last Days "Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead." John 12:1 ESV

Marv's

of Worship

"Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial." John 12:7 ESV

# **Genuine Worship Always Requires a Sacrifice**

# Jews Plot to

"So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus." John 12:10–11 ESV

Blessing Blooms in the Soil of

## Jesus'

"The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"" John 12:12–13 ESV

(Psalm 118:25-26)

is the Path to a Genuine Relationship with God

#### Jesus'

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"So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?"" John 12:34 ESV

# \_ are My Stiff Arming God's Working in My Life

"So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them." John 12:35–36 ESV

#### Our

"And Jesus cried out and said, "Whoever believes in me, believes not in me but in him who sent me. And whoever sees me sees him who sent me." John 12:44–45 ESV

"And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life." 1 John 5:11–12 ESV

# Easter is the Only Door to Restoration with My Creator!

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