

**EASTER 2023**  
**“Hope Runs Deep”**

**Romans 5:20-6:4 NIV**

But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, 21 so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

**TWO IDEAS**

- Sin is not first a MORAL Issue, but and AUTHORITY Issue.
- Sin SEPARATES us from Life.

**THE PROMISE OF RESURRECTION**

The promise of resurrection is the possibility of Newness.

***The power of the resurrection is that we live in a world where we will experience deep grief and because of the resurrection, hope runs deeper.***

**Romans 6:23 NIV**

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **OUR TENDENCY**

Trying to be worthy of a relationship is exhausting.

- If we can just find the right information & believe the right things, then we won't have doubts.
- If we can just do the right things in the right things, then we won't have problems.

## **FINDING SALVATION**

We don't need more facts to make us certain...

We need a foundation we can trust to support the weight of the lives we are actually living.

What might the opposite of losing your salvation be?

## **FINDING SALVATION**

- We find salvation by finding His grace to be sufficient.
- We find grace in the moment for the moment.