



Luke 24:17 – He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” **They stood still, their faces downcast.**

It’s easy to get stuck living in a _____ state of mind.

No _____, no courage, no future.

2 Corinthians 1:8-9a - We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about the troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death.

Today there are many good reasons to be _____:

John 16:33b - In this world you will have trouble.

2 Timothy 3:1 - But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.

2 Timothy 3:12-13 - In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

We live in a real world with real _____.

2 Corinthians 1:9b - But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead.

Jesus’ death was a _____ until the resurrection.

You know you truly believe in the resurrection when it changes your _____.

I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.

C. S. Lewis

The resurrection allows you to become an _____.

John 16:33 - “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

Some of you are here today to hear this:

The resurrection means that the _____ is yet to come.

Romans 8:18 – I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Two helpful resources:

