

Promise

*He who raised Christ from the dead
will also give life to your mortal bodies.*
Romans 8:11

Introduction:

- It seems like the world is full of empty promises. Whether it is products marketed through advertising, job offers, or even marriage vows, promises, it seems, just don't seem to pan out a lot of the time.
- However, instead of promises full of emptiness, on Easter God gave us emptiness full of promise!
- This morning we are going to examine two promises of Easter. Both are marked by something empty. And it is the very fact that each of these is empty that assures us that God's promises are true.

The Empty _____

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

Luke 24:1

He _____.

He died for our _____.

I Corinthians 15:3

He died _____.

I Peter 3:18

The promise of the empty cross is that you and I can stand _____.
Because it was on that cross
that Jesus paid the penalty for our sins.

The Empty _____

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!"
(v. 5)

Just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Romans 6:4

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his spirit, who lives in you.

Romans 8:11

If you confess with your mouth "Jesus is Lord" and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.

I Corinthians 6:14

I am the resurrection and the life, he that believes in me, though dead, shall live. And he who lives and believes in me shall never die.

John 11:24

The promise of the empty tomb is that because Christ rose
from the dead, we can have _____.

God always _____ on His promises!

Conclusion:

There is one more promise from Easter. It's found in Romans 10:13: *For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.*

What are you _____?