

40 days to
Easter

Feb 22 - April 4

PRAYER & FAST



A note from Pastors Brad & Leah

Hey City Life family,

I'm so glad you're joining us for 40 Days to Easter. These six weeks are more than a spiritual reset, they're a journey toward the joy and hope of Easter. As we walk through this guide together, my prayer is that you'll experience God drawing you closer, speaking more clearly, and stirring your heart with renewed purpose as we reflect on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Each day includes Scripture, reflection, a guided prayer, and a simple devotional prompt to help you connect with God in meaningful ways. This season is a chance to pause, reflect on what Jesus has done, and prepare your heart to celebrate the resurrection with joy and gratitude. Whether it's pausing to hear His voice, reflecting on His sacrifice, or noticing where He is moving around you, these 40 days are designed to help you experience the hope and life that Easter brings.

My encouragement to you is this:
Lean in. Give God your whole attention throughout this season.

You might be surprised by how He speaks to you. You might be stretched in new ways. You might notice moments of grace, forgiveness, or love you've overlooked before. And I believe with all my heart you will experience the power of the resurrection in your life in a fresh, personal way.

Our prayer is that these 40 days won't just spark a moment but will set the tone for a lifestyle of walking with the Spirit, celebrating the hope of Easter daily, and shining the light of Jesus wherever you go.

I'm praying for you. I'm believing with you. I'm excited to see how God moves in you, through you, and around you this Easter season.

Let's seek Him together as we journey to the cross and celebrate the resurrection.

For the One,

Pastor Brad & Pastor Leah



**WE ARE SURE OF
THIS BECAUSE
CHRIST WAS RAISED
FROM THE DEAD,
AND HE WILL NEVER
DIE AGAIN. DEATH NO
LONGER HAS ANY
POWER OVER HIM.**

ROMANS 6:9



The Humility of Jesus

Scripture: Philippians 2:5–8

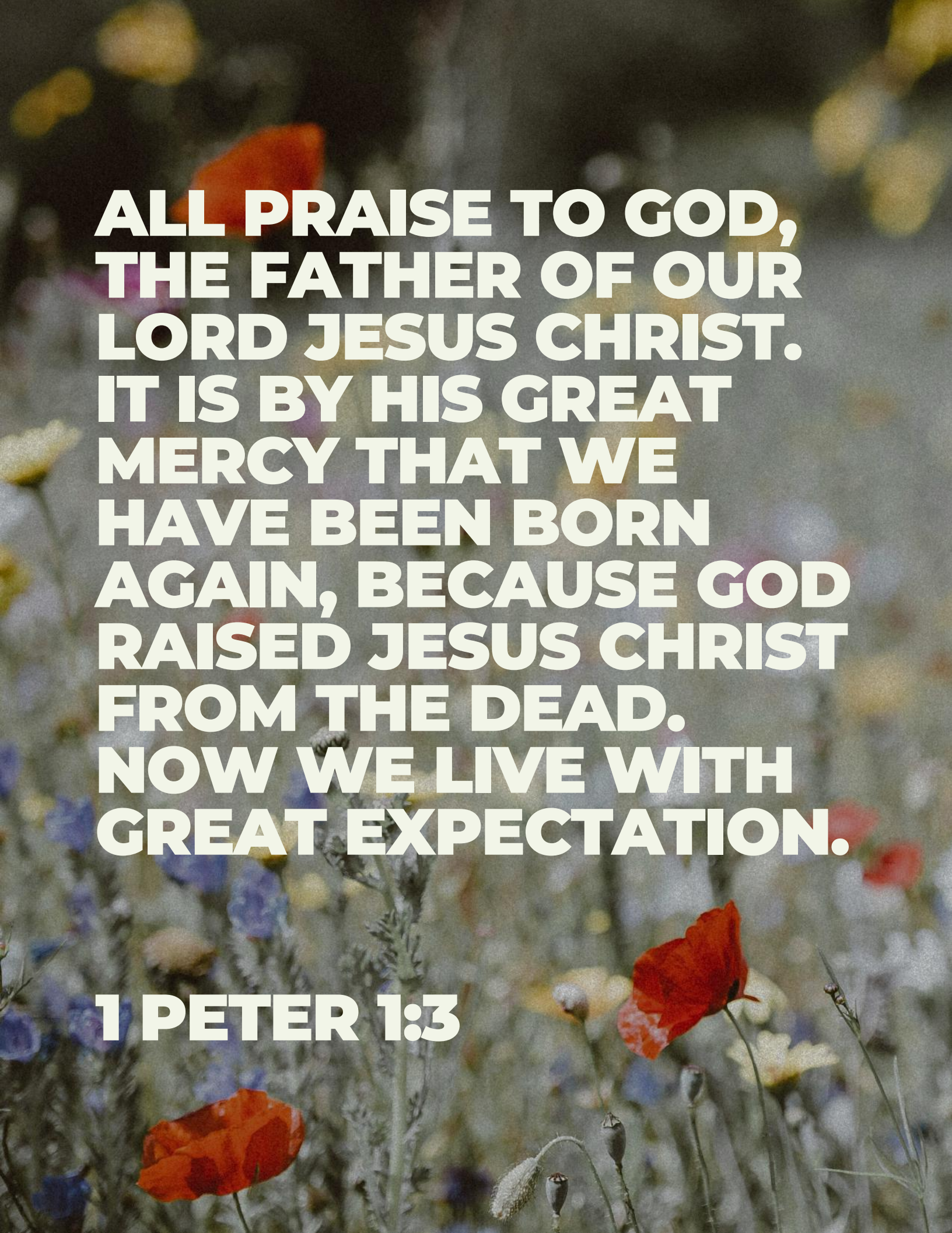
As we approach the cross, we are invited to consider the posture of Christ. Though fully God, Jesus chose humility. He did not cling to status or power. He emptied Himself, taking on flesh, embracing servanthood, and walking willingly toward death on a cross. Humility is not thinking less of ourselves; it is thinking of ourselves less. It is releasing the need to win, to be seen, to be right. It is choosing love over ego.

We resist humility because it feels vulnerable. It feels like losing ground. But in the kingdom of God, humility is the path upward. Jesus descended before He was exalted. Lent gently confronts our pride...the subtle ways we protect our image or demand control. And it shows us a different way: the way of self-giving love. The cross is the ultimate picture of humility. Power restrained. Love poured out. Glory hidden beneath suffering. Today, ask not how you can be noticed, but how you can serve. That quiet posture reflects the heart of Christ.

Reflection: Where might pride be shaping your reactions or relationships? What would humility look like in that space?

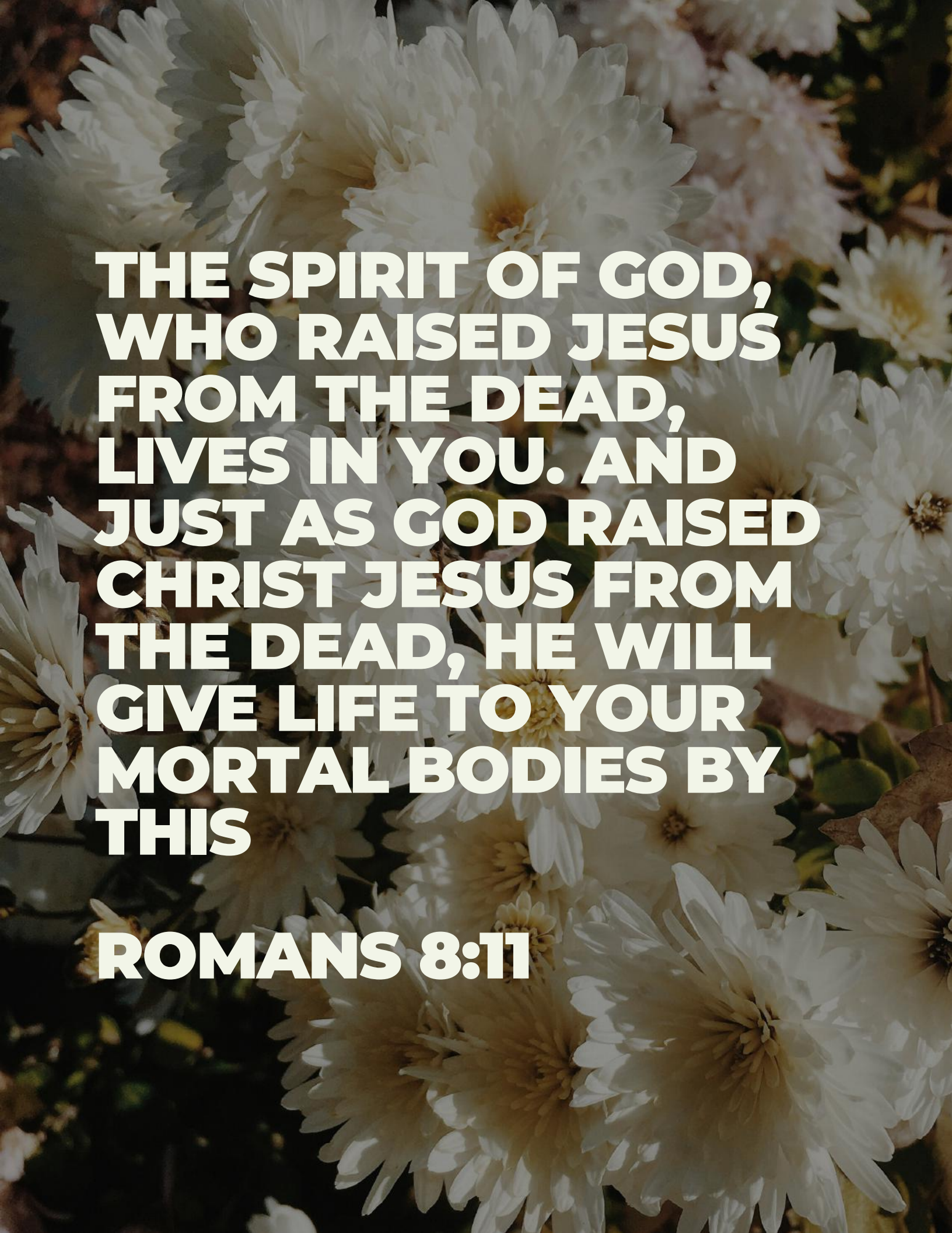
Prayer: Jesus, form Your humility in me. Teach me to serve without needing recognition, and to love without protecting my pride. Amen.

Journal



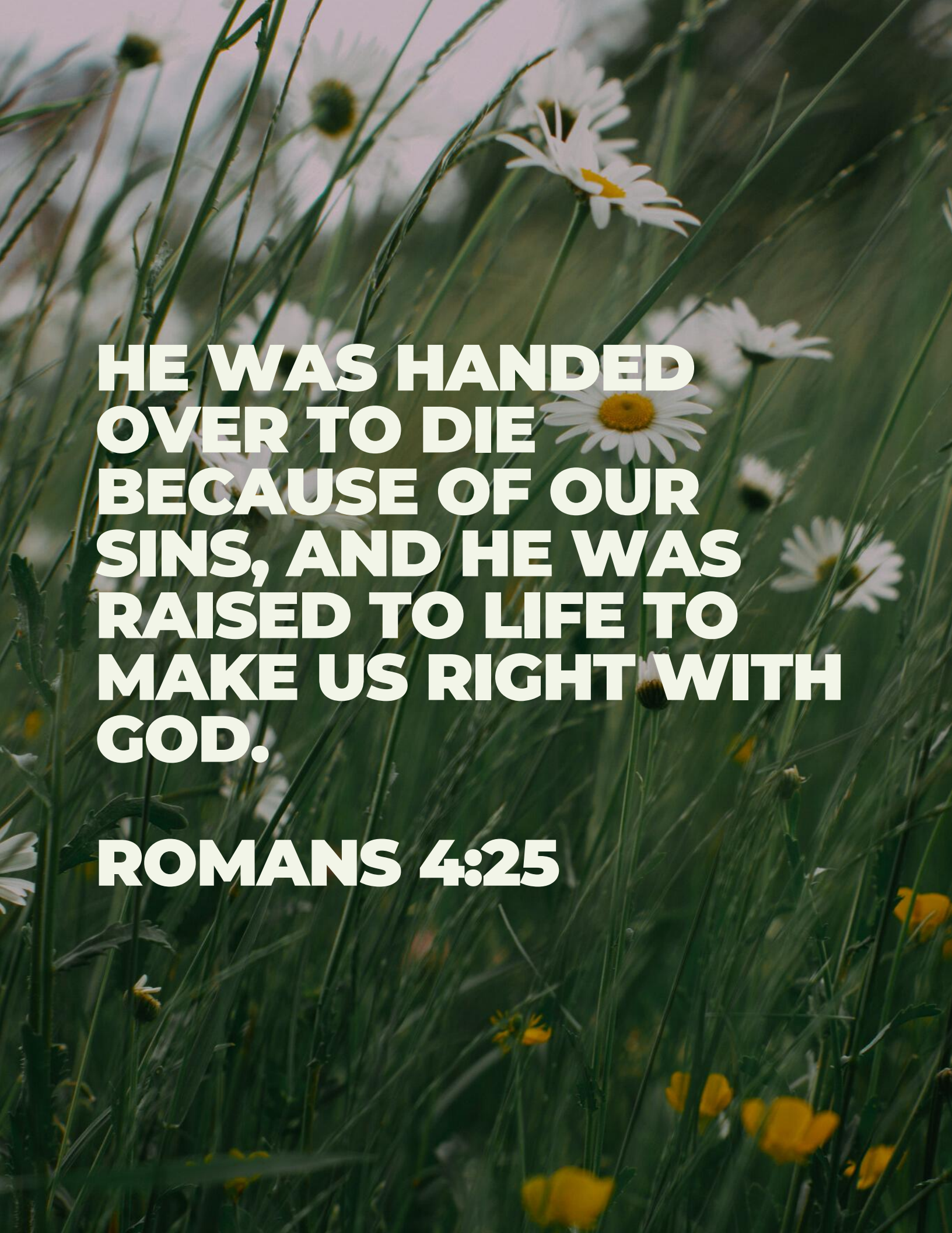
**ALL PRAISE TO GOD,
THE FATHER OF OUR
LORD JESUS CHRIST.
IT IS BY HIS GREAT
MERCY THAT WE
HAVE BEEN BORN
AGAIN, BECAUSE GOD
RAISED JESUS CHRIST
FROM THE DEAD.
NOW WE LIVE WITH
GREAT EXPECTATION.**

1 PETER 1:3



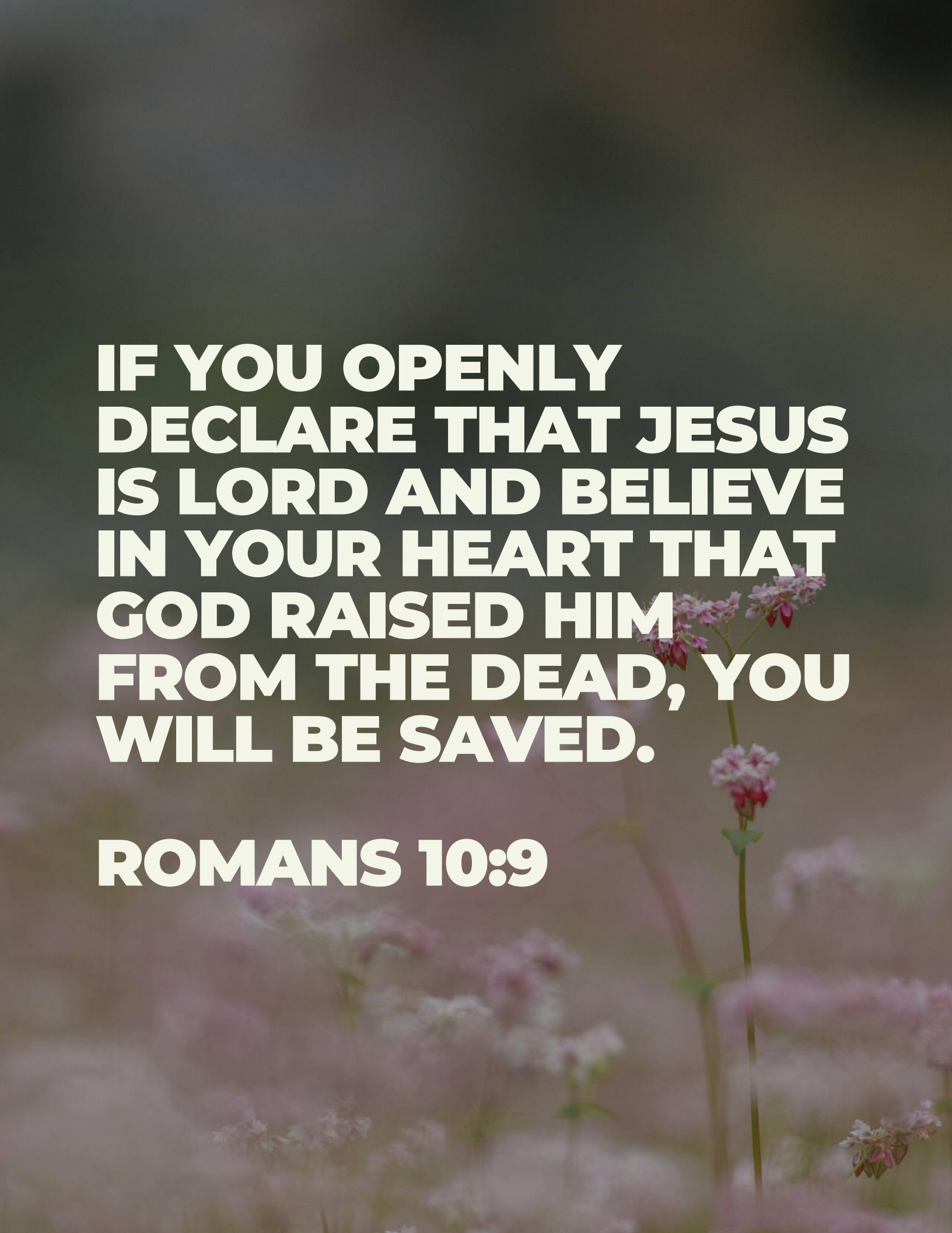
**THE SPIRIT OF GOD,
WHO RAISED JESUS
FROM THE DEAD,
LIVES IN YOU. AND
JUST AS GOD RAISED
CHRIST JESUS FROM
THE DEAD, HE WILL
GIVE LIFE TO YOUR
MORTAL BODIES BY
THIS**

ROMANS 8:11

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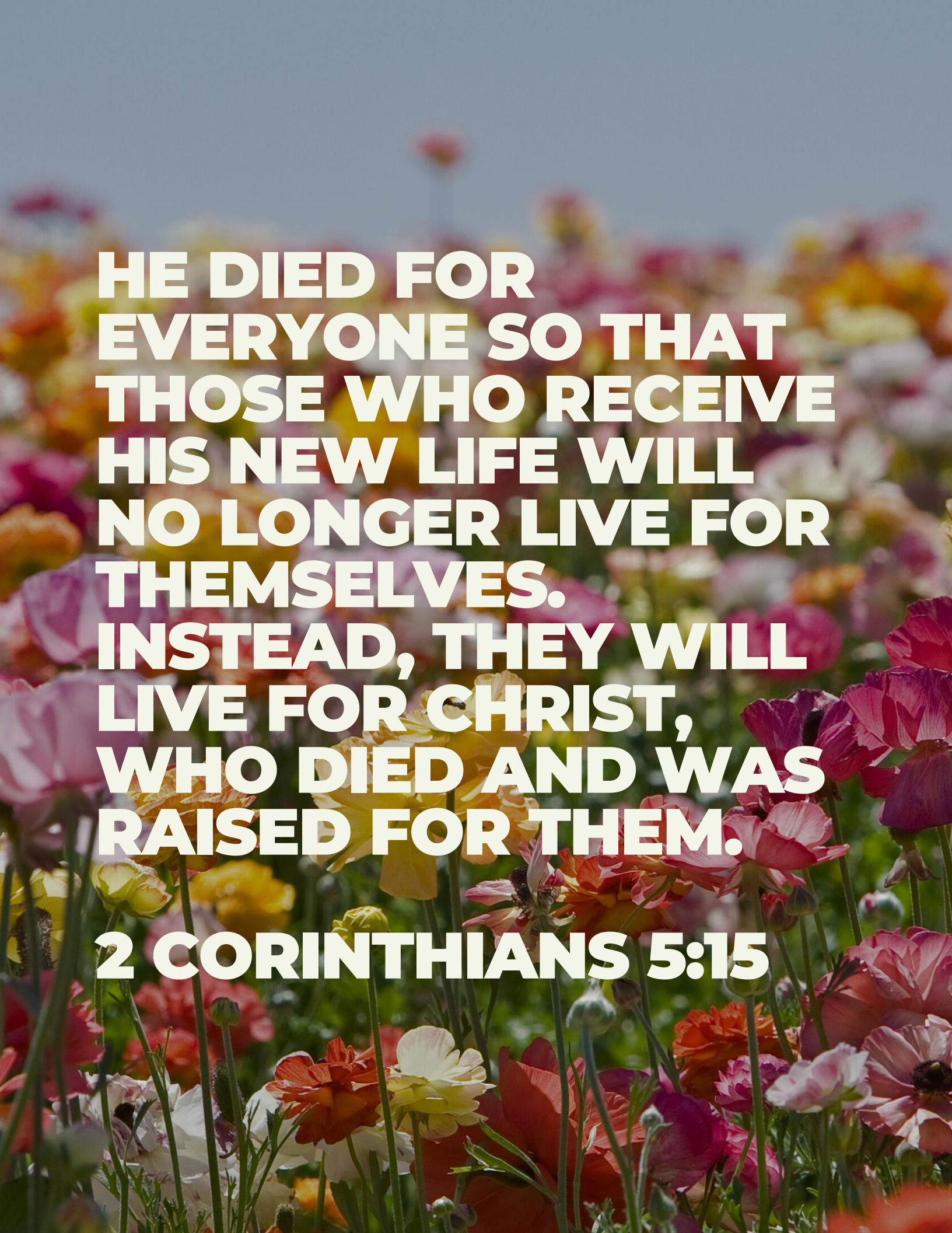
**HE WAS HANDED
OVER TO DIE
BECAUSE OF OUR
SINS, AND HE WAS
RAISED TO LIFE TO
MAKE US RIGHT WITH
GOD.**

ROMANS 4:25



**IF YOU OPENLY
DECLARE THAT JESUS
IS LORD AND BELIEVE
IN YOUR HEART THAT
GOD RAISED HIM
FROM THE DEAD, YOU
WILL BE SAVED.**

ROMANS 10:9



**HE DIED FOR
EVERYONE SO THAT
THOSE WHO RECEIVE
HIS NEW LIFE WILL
NO LONGER LIVE FOR
THEMSELVES.
INSTEAD, THEY WILL
LIVE FOR CHRIST,
WHO DIED AND WAS
RAISED FOR THEM.**

2 CORINTHIANS 5:15

Save the Date!

Easter Egg Hunt

South Philly March 28 10am - 1pm

Southwest April 4 10am - 1pm

Seek First

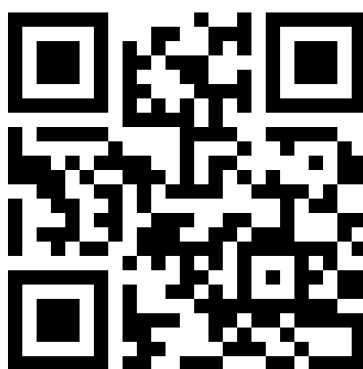
Prayer & Worship

April 1 7pm

Easter Weekend

April 3 - 3pm & 4:30pm

April 4 - 9am & 10:30am & 12pm



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OF HEAVEN