

Easter... what is it really about?

Spring! The daffodils and primroses are here - warmer days are coming... and so is Easter. Easter bunnies... Easter eggs... and maybe a long holiday weekend... Easter - when God's people celebrate the most important event that ever occurred.

Easter Sunday was the day when the Lord Jesus Christ came back to life. The Friday before His resurrection, Jesus, the Son of God, died in one of the most horrendous ways imaginable. He was nailed to a wooden cross and left to die in agony. In a number of places the Bible explains why this happened. God has made us - so we belong to Him. One day He will judge us. Because He is holy He must impose a just sentence on all sin - including those we have committed.

Our Maker is also a God of love and devised a plan whereby we can be forgiven without personally being punished. Jesus, the Son of God, became a Man and willingly bore the judgment our sins deserved by dying in our place. He died so that everyone who repents of their sins and receives Him as their Lord could be forgiven. One of the Bible statements summarising this marvellous truth puts it like this: God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

By raising His Son from the dead on Easter Sunday, God confirmed that the death of Jesus on our behalf had paid the penalty for our sins. Jesus was alive for evermore and all who believe on Him would live forever.

No wonder we celebrate Easter - Resurrection Sunday!

Sincerely,

George Rabey (Pastor)

Five Ash Down Chapel Services

Sunday services are at 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Sundays 11.00 a.m. to 12 noon Good News Group (Children 3 years and over) Thursdays 7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting



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George Rabey (Pastor) Tel: 07761 295095 Elwyn Sweetman (Secretary) Tel: 01825 733391 <u>www.fiveashdownchapel.org.uk</u> <u>george.rabey@talktalk.net</u> We may not know, we cannot tell, What pains He had to bear; But we believe it was for us He hung and suffered there.

He died that we might be forgiven, He died to make us good, That we might go at last to heaven, Saved by His precious blood.

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Good Friday Service 3rd April 11.00 a.m. Easter Sunday Services 5th April 11.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.

Please come!

