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Matthew 28:6

- *It is finished* are the three most important words from the cross, and *he is risen* are the three most important words after the cross.
- This is the Father's great and joyful announcement to all creation that his Beloved Son (Matt. 3:17) has fulfilled (Col. 2:17) all the work he sent the Son to accomplish.

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- Gathered into these three simple words is all the finished work of the Son in glorifying the Father in his redeemed people (John 17:10), which began with the dwelling of God with his people (Gen. 1:26) in the Garden of Eden and extended throughout the O.T. to its consummation when God will dwell with his people in the New Heaven and New Earth (Rev. 21:3).
- This is the Father's proclamation that he has accepted the atoning ministry of his Beloved Son as finished (Col. 1:17).
- The Father's requirement that his people be *holy* (Lev. 11:44) is accomplished in the perfect obedience of his *holy* Son (Luke 1:35). As a result, the Father will clothe his people with his own Righteousness (2 Cor. 5:21) by clothing us with his Son (Gal. 3:27).

- These three words prove that Peter's confession in Matt. 16:16 is forever True.

Rom 1:4 ...[Christ] was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead...

- Because Jesus is alive:

- Death is DEAD.

1 Cor 15:54 ...death has been swallowed up in [Christ's] victory...

- Satan's authority over us is forever broken.

Heb 2:14 ...through death [Christ] might destroy the one who has the power [dominion] of death, that is, the devil...

- Sin is forever forgiven.

Jer. 31:34 ...I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more...

- All the blessings of God are now ours in Christ.

Eph 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places...

- We have been raised in his resurrection.

Col 3:1 ...you have been raised with Christ...

Eph 1:4 ...[God the Father] chose us in [Christ] before the foundation of the world...
[Gen.1:1, John 1:1]

1 Cor 15:22 ...For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive...

- This is the Father's affirmation that His promise in the Old Testament to raise his people from the dead has been achieved.

Mark 12:26-27 *Now about the dead rising — have you not read in the book of Moses, in the account of the bush, how God said to him, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? 27 He is not the God of the dead, but of the living. You are badly mistaken!"*

Gen 22:5 *And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey, and I and the lad will go yonder; and we will worship and return to you..."*

Job 19:25-26 *For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. 26 And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God...*

- In the resurrection, the Father proclaims his Son to be the Foundation and the Builder of his House.
 - Christ has been declared as the Cornerstone (1 Peter 2:7; Luke 20:17) of God's Spiritual house (1 Cor. 3:11).
 - The Father has declared that his Son is now the only one who is worthy and able to build his House.

Heb 3:3 *For Jesus has been counted worthy...as the builder of [God's] house...*

1 Peter 2:5 *...living stones... who ...are being built up as a spiritual house...*

- As David's son Solomon was the builder of God's temporary Temple, Jesus is the Builder of God's permanent Temple, the church.

1 Chron. 22:9 *Behold, a son shall be born to you who shall be a man of rest. I will give him rest from all his surrounding enemies. For his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quiet to Israel in his days. 10 He shall build a house for my name. He shall be my son, and I will be his father, and I will establish his royal throne in Israel forever...*

2 Chron. 3:1 Then [after Daivd's death!] Solomon began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah... [Gen. 22:2]