

The background is a vibrant, abstract composition. A large, semi-transparent cyan circle is centered on the page. The background behind the circle is a mix of bright colors, including cyan, magenta, blue, and yellow, with a textured, splattered appearance. The word "EASTER" is written across the center of the cyan circle in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

EASTER

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**How Does the Historical
Event of the Resurrection
of Jesus Impact us today?**

Ephesians 1:18-21

18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

Ephesians 1:18-21

That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

The Resurrection Gives

POWER

over the

SHAME of Our Past

FEAR of Our Future

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**over the
SHAME
of our
Past**

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painful feeling or experience of
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and therefore UNWORTHY of
love and belonging.”**

-Brene Brown



**The supervillain
of SHAME**

**Jesus Defeated the
Supervillain of
SHAME on
EASTER!**

Colossians 2:13-15

¹³ When you were dead in your sins and in the uncleanness of your flesh, God made you **ALIVE** with Christ. He **FORGAVE** us all our sins, ¹⁴ having **CANCELED THE CHARGE** of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has **TAKEN IT AWAY**, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ And having **DISARMED** the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

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GRACE OF THE GOSPEL

“We are more sinful and flawed in our ourselves than we ever dared admit and, at the same time, in Christ, we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope.”

–Tim Keller

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FEAR

of our

Future

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is a tangible demonstration that there is a REAL, PERSONAL and CERTAIN FUTURE that is unimaguably wonderful.

We have a

REAL FUTURE



**The supervillain
of FEAR**

**Jesus defeated the
supervillain of
FEAR on
EASTER!**

1 Corinthians 15:19-22

19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the **FIRSTFRUITS** of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:55

***Where, O death, is your
victory?***

***Where, O death, is your
sting?***

We have a

PERSONAL

FUTURE

“You know what the deepest desire of your heart is? To love and be loved. That can only happen if you are a person! If there is no personal future, death has the ability to strip you of every person that you ever loved and strip you of the ability to love anyone ever again.”

Pastor Tim Keller

We have a
SECURED
FUTURE

SALVATION

=

JESUS +

NOTHING

Romans 8:35,38-39

35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Why Easter



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