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## **May 2019: Arise My Love**

Easter week has come and gone for 2019. Many concerts and plays took place around the world to commemorate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Many tears were shed out of shame and guilt that was felt in the remembrance of the loneliness that Jesus experienced in the Garden of Gethsemane, his betrayal by his friend, the trial, his conviction, the journey to the cross and DEATH!

Even his closest friends did not remember that he had spoken to them about his death and resurrection. Jesus said until them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (John 2:19) HE SPOKE OF THE TEMPLE OF THIS BODY. (John 2:21) Jesus also said, "No man can take my life from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down and I have power to take it again." (John 10:18)

The lesson title on Palm Sunday was, "Come and Follow Me." I believe he was asking all of humanity to come and follow him through this journey on earth back into the kingdom of God here on earth. He was showing us the way back home to Oneness with our creator. By disciplining the lower nature, or personality, the body becomes a vessel for the use of the True Self. We are in training in this world to walk in the light of the Christ Self and to become fully aware of our Divinity, our Oneness with our Creator. "Oneness with our Creator" may be easy to say but hard, very hard to believe.

I believe Jesus came to teach us how to overcome all disappointment, all pain, and all suffering in our life by overcoming every difficulty we face. In life's journey this overcoming is the RESURRECTION POWER within each of us! How is this possible? I believe part of the answer to that question is to become serious about discovering the power within. Christ Jesus taught us that the same power that was in his is within you and me. As Rev. Eric Butterworth wrote in his book, "Discover the Power Within." This is exactly what the man Jesus did. The man that became the Christ said, "I have overcome the world." I have overcome all of its pain, temptation, sickness, disease, disappointment, anger and poverty consciousness. He overcame all things of this world, even death! He said, "All things that I do you can do also and even greater things than this shall you do."

THIS SOUNDS LIKE HERESY...yes...it does sound like heresy and that is why Jesus was crucified because came to bring TRUTH TO THE WORLD. Humanity has been taught to believe the teaching of man, not the teaching of God. One of the reasons Jesus came into this world is to show you the way back to Truth. The way back home is a journey from a world that we have created out of free will to a world of Oneness with the creator as the source of all there is.

So where do we go from here? Follow the life of Jesus...listen to His teaching, not what you were told he taught or what the intellect says. "BE STILL AND KNOW." Take time to listen to the heart and be patient; be alone with God in the Garden of the Heart. Feel the Divine calling you, "come walk with me and talk with me."

For so long humanity has been taught all that we know comes to us from somewhere outside of ourselves. That is not what He taught, Jesus taught Oneness with God. "Seek first the kingdom of God and all things will be added until you." Do you BELIEVE that Jesus spoke the TRUTH?

**From the Heart with Love, Peace & Blessings,**  
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