

C. S. Lewis once wrote, “The moment you wake up each morning, all your wishes and hopes for the day rush at you like wild animals. And the first job each morning consists in shoving it all back; in listening to that other voice, taking that other point of view, letting that other, larger, stronger, quieter life come flowing in.” He understood that deep within, we all yearn for life but live in a world that seems to extinguish it. And yet, Lewis also understood that if we can get still, there is another perspective on this world; this new perspective offers us hope of salvation.

Christ died for our sins as payment for our wrongdoing. We don’t have to pay for something He already purchased! He rose from the dead as a promise of revival. We don’t have to live in shame. Instead, we can believe in the past work Jesus did, and we can act with hope for the future. The Gospel, the good news that Jesus died for our shortcomings and rose from the dead, is ultimately about hope.

The hope of the resurrection is that Jesus will rule over all things. Jesus’ resurrected body is evidence of His victory over death and sin. What’s more is there is a cloud of witnesses—past, present, and future—who have declared this good news for the world to believe.



John 3:16–17 NLT
For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

At Shoreline City Church, we believe and declare the gospel every chance we get. We preach the gospel in our songs, at our services, with our words and with our lives. We celebrate and share the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ in a way people can understand. Most importantly, we understand that Christ’s mission was to save the world, and so that is our mission.

We believe it is an honor and privilege to join with the global church to declare and proclaim Jesus Christ. We see ourselves as one lifeboat among many lifeboats, pulling people out of the water. Ultimately, we want everyone in a lifeboat and if it means we can help someone into another lifeboat, or build more lifeboats, we want to make sure there is room for everyone in the water to get rescued by being in relationship with Jesus.

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As we pray for the global church, let us remember that we are a part of a community of faith, a family of God, a body of Christ, that spans the entire earth and has existed for thousands of years. This body includes every believer who believes and proclaims the same good news that Christ died for our sins and rose from the grave. In Christ, we have new life.

Prayer:

Father God, thank You for the good news of the resurrection. Help us to stay true to the Gospel. Give our leaders wisdom and inspire our members to rise up to serve and be the hands and feet of Jesus wherever they are. Give us strength in our suffering and humility as we work for Your glory. Unify us in purpose and vision.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Additional Scriptures :

John 13:35 | Ephesians 4:11–12 | 2 Timothy 4:1–4