

Holy Play
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The fourth day

It is holy week as I write to you my dear brothers and sisters in Christ. I am contemplating how the first followers of Jesus must have felt during this time thousands of years ago. I am sure they were bewildered, confused, feeling great disappointment, and grieving for their Lord and teacher. They were also afraid, like sheep without a Sheppard to care for them. They had lost their intercessor before God. This was the second day and we all know what was to come. Their eyes had not been opened to that yet. Jesus had tried to prepare them but they simply could not grasp the meaning of his words until they witnessed the events.

Then came the third day, Alleluia Christ is risen! The followers were not alerted immediately but the closest of them found out at the tomb and told others and soon Jesus appeared. What a sense of relief, joy, excitement, and anticipation they must have felt. I'm not sure it is even fair to try to put into words how they must have felt. I am sure though that it was all part of God's plan to help inspire our early brothers and sisters in Christ to spread the good news and to increase the fold in Jesus name.

Now comes the fourth day. I submit to you that every day after the resurrection of our Lord is a new fourth day. We have the opportunity at rising every day to humble ourselves before God, ask his forgiveness, thank him for the blessings he bestows on us, ask that he help those that need healing be restored and then be quiet and listen. "*(Be still and know that I am Lord)*". Often times the most important part of our conversation with God is not what we say but what he says.

The fall weekend, Coed #13 is approaching quickly. Tom and his team are working hard to make this weekend everything that God expects it to be. We have several pilgrims already confirmed but there is room for more. I ask each of you to follow the process mentioned with me. Humble ourselves, ask for forgiveness for all things known or unknown that we have done to inhibit God's kingdom and then ask God to identify that person or persons that he wants at his weekend. Next comes the most important part. We become quiet and listen. Then we act on his instruction.

Christ is risen, Alleluia!

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