The Songs We Sing Pt. 6 - Living Hope

3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 1 Corinthians 15:3-5

2 ...your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear. Isaiah 59:2

Sin is the root problem behind all global and personal issues.

Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field.19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return." Genesis 3:18-19

12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned— Romans 5:12

3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 1 Peter 1:3

We are born destined to eternal death through Adam but we are resurrected to eternal life in Jesus.

we were by nature deserving of wrath. Ephesians 2:3

Any message about Jesus that leaves our sin unaddressed is inadequate to save.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

If sin is not the foundational problem with all of mankind, then the cross of Jesus was completely unnecessary.

Jesus died because God hates our sin so much that he was willing to die and erase it.

21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed." 1 Peter 2:24

26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, Galatians 3:26

Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. Revelation 5:5

Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, Revelation 20:6

Because Jesus walked out of a grave, we can have full confidence that one day we will too.

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