

## THE RISE

### And the fall

Easter is the celebration of the completion of all that is real Truth by the Creator, His Son and Spirit, the one God Triune. And I say real Truth because it transcends the 'it must be true because I believe it' truth by taking the 'I' out of it and establishing once and for all there is universal law and truth. Yes, belief and faith and hope fosters this real truth in all of us, but as we've seen throughout human history until even recently and now, we have a tendency to form our own truth, forgetting the real Truth.

The life and the Word of God as one of us changed history and it gave us the power to change history. My favorite models of this are Francis of Assisi, Mother Theresa, Thomas Merton, C.S. Lewis, J.R. Tolkien and my father and my mother. Inside the confines of a restrictive environment, brought about by men, in all forms whether it be religions or governments, they restored the real Truth and adherence to Its most sacred laws.

THE RISE provided complete evidence of the Truth and that not only is there is a much better life in the next one, there actually is a 'next' one. The fall was the banishment of the evil one, though the seeds it sowed prior to banishment continued on as mostly men and some women refused to accept the real Truth and sought amongst many other non-human things power and greed at the expense of their fellow women and men and neighbors. It is an unintended consequence of Free Will, the one feature and gift given to humanity that makes it different from all other forms of Creation.

The consequences ripple still, those pursuing ungodly acts who defy the Truth still, even though they were created in the Image and Likeness of their Creator.

God became one of us to simplify and mold together all laws, so that not one letter of the universal law shall pass away as long as this planet exists with Images of Him. Many of us, betrayed by ourselves, choose to either ignore this summed up Truth tempted by things of this world that were merely wants and not needs.

And this great summary is this...

Love God with everything you are and love your neighbor who is any other human being period.

To love you must obey amongst many other things you must do. To obey means sacrificing yourself and enduring sacrifice for the betterment of those around you.

We have no better example of this than God Himself and the events of this very day and the days leading up to it some two millennia ago.

So it is imperative we rejoice at this rare moment ongoing with true and majestic Joy that emanates from not of things of this world but of the elements of eternity, our true home from whence we came and will return to the one and only Judge even as our temporal existence ends in dust - the dust we came from.

Seek peace for all. Seek equality for all. Love everyone. Hope when there is none. Have faith because all of us share one thing, His Image and likeness. This is what He wants for us, the leading character of The Rise and the One True God, to choose from eternal death to eternal life. So be it.

Alleluia!!! The greatest Alleluia there is!! Say it, 'Alleluia!!' forever and ever, amen!