

POINTS TO PONDER

...a sermon resource

Title: There Shall Be Spring Again!
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C.S. Lewis' book "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" made into a movie provides the title for this Easter Message.

The metaphor above works nicely for re-telling the Easter accounts in Scripture.

The resurrection can be hard to believe:

- Just ask the disciples
- Just listen to modern-day skeptics

Ancient mythologies have no historical settings but they do illustrate a universal need among humankind.

With the ancients we see our lives as paralleling the seasons in the created order and we wonder: "Does **WINTER** have the last word?"

In the person of Christ God slips into our seasons and seasons of life and by His death and resurrection announces: "There shall be **SPRING** again."

Jesus' resurrection from the dead can "bring spring" into your life today:

- It means **RECONCILIATION** with God has been accomplished for us so we can experience **RELATIONSHIP** with God from now on.
- It means we can **LAUGH** or **HOPE** when winter tries to reassert itself as the final word in our lives.
- It means our lives contain **AMAZEMENT** and **ENTHRALLMENT** with the immensity of God's future.

Happy Easter...we shall have spring again.

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