

One More Move

Various Easter Scriptures

1. Because the King had one more move, sins can be forgiven.

📖 1 Corinthians 15:3–5 (NIV) “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 Peter, and then to the Twelve.”

📖 1 Corinthians 15:17–20 (NIV) “...if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. ²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.”

2. Because the King had one more move, shame can be removed.

📖 Luke 22:61–62 (NIV) “The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times.” ⁶² And he went outside and wept bitterly.”

📖 Mark 16:7 (NIV) “But go, tell His disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him, just as He told you.’”

📖 Luke 24:9–12 (NIV) “When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹² Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.”

📖 John 21:4–8 (NIV) “Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. ⁵ He called out to them, “Friends, haven’t you any fish?” “No,” they answered. ⁶ He said, “Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.” When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. ⁷ Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, “It is the Lord,” he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. ⁸ The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards.”

3. Because the King had one more move, hope can be restored.

📖 Luke 24:13–21 (NIV) “Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus Himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing Him. ¹⁷ He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked Him, “Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹ “What things?” He asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed Him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified Him; ²¹ but we had hoped that He was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.”

📖 Luke 24:28–36 (NIV) “As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if He were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged Him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When He was at the table with them, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and He disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” ³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when He broke the bread. ³⁶ While they were still talking about this, Jesus Himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

4. Because the King had one more move, power can be realized.

📖 Ephesians 1:18–20a (NIV) “I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and His incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of His mighty strength, ²⁰ which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead...”

📖 2 Peter 1:3 (NIV) “His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness.”

📖 Ephesians 3:20–21 (NIV) “Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, ²¹ to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.”

5. Because the King had one more move, [heaven](#) can be [home](#).


📖 Acts 1:6–11 (NIV) “So when they met together, they asked Him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by His own authority.⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”⁹ After He said this, He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.¹⁰ They were looking intently up into the sky as He was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.¹¹ “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven.”

📖 John 14:1–6 (NKJV) “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.² In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.⁴ And where I go you know, and the way you know.”⁵ Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?”⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

📖 Matthew 7:13–14 (NIV84) “Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.”

📖 John 10:9–10 (NIV) “I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture.¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

Digging Deeper—Has the devil pronounced checkmate over your life?

Has Satan declared checkmate over your relationships? Has he said, “Checkmate!” over  your marriage? Does the devil think he has you beat? Easter is a reminder that God is not done, and Satan hasn’t won anything. Whenever you start to believe that there is no hope, remember, The King of Kings always has one more move!