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## **RESURRECTION SUNDAY**

### **THE RISEN LORD**

**“His head and hair were white like wool-white as snow-and His eyes like a fiery flame. His feet were like fine bronze as it is fired in a furnace, and His voice like the sound of cascading waters.”**

*Revelations 1:14-15 (HCSB)*

**At times it is tempting to conclude: “If only I could have walked with Jesus, as the twelve disciples did, it would be so much easier to live the Christian life!”**

**This thought reveals that we do not comprehend the greatness of the risen Christ we serve today.** The Jesus of the Gospels is often portrayed as One who walked along the seashore, loving children and gently forgiving sinners. Yet the image of Jesus that we see at the close of the New Testament is far more dramatic. **He stands in awesome power as He rules all creation.** His appearance is so magnificent that when John His beloved disciple, sees Him, he falls to the ground as though he were dead (Rev. 1:17).

**We grossly underestimate the God we serve! To ignore God’s Word or to disobey a direct command from Him is to ignore the magnificent nature of Christ.** Our fear of other people proves that we do not understand the awesome Lord who walks with us. **The Christ we serve today is the Lord of all creation.** He is vastly more awesome and powerful than the gentle rabbi we often imagine.

**If you struggle with your obedience to Christ, take a closer look at how He is portrayed in the Book of Revelation.** If you are succumbing to temptation, call upon the powerful One who dwells in you. If you have forgotten how great and mighty the Lord is, meet Him through the vision of the beloved disciple. The encounter will dramatically affect the way you live. **AMEN.**

~Drs. Henry and Richard Blackaby

*“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 – 20*

