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To the Sir Knights of Texas:

The year has gone by so rapidly, it doesn't seem that it should be time to write my last article for the Knights Templar Magazine. But, let me take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support and dedication to Templary during the past year. This has definitely been the highlight of my Masonic career. My Lady Dee and I thank you all for your support through the past years. Now, let's all get behind our next Grand Commander, Sir Knight Tom Snyder, and continue to prove that "Synergy" and "Visibility" can generate great rewards for our Masonic Fraternity. Again, Sir Knights, a **BIG THANK YOU!**

This month, as we celebrate Easter, let us always remember these simple truths; The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the central fact of Christian history.

It started on that fateful Friday when Jesus was falsely accused, illegally tried, and was nailed to a wooden cross between two thieves. He was mocked and ridiculed, but even on the cross, He showed His love. He died about mid afternoon and was placed in a borrowed tomb where He

was to remain. But early Sunday morning, He was not there in the tomb, the tomb was empty. He had risen!

Jesus' resurrection is unique. Other religions have strong ethical systems, concepts about paradise, and various holy scriptures. Only Christianity has a God who became man, literally died for His people, and was raised again in power and glory to rule His church forever.

Because Christ was raised from the dead, we know that the Kingdom of Heaven has broken into earth's history. Our world is headed for redemption, not disaster. Because of the resurrection, we know that death has been conquered and we, too, will be raised from the dead to live with Him forever. Death is not the end for believers, it is only the beginning!

Christians can look very different from one another. They can hold widely varying beliefs about politics, lifestyles, and even theology. But one central belief unites all true Christians...Jesus Christ rose from the dead and today **HE IS ALIVE!!**

All Christian Masons should be a Knight Templar!!

In His Service,


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