"Spring Forward"

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Springtime is the season that churches celebrate Easter. It is a wonderful time of year to celebrate the death and resur-

rection of Jesus Christ. In autumn, we observe the "death" of leaves as they descend to their final resting ground. The grass withers and turns brown. Flowers wilt or go dormant. In winter, nature is much more barren. The trees have shed their clothing, exposing their spindly bare

arms to cold winds. But then comes spring and we see resurrection. Grass grows, trees bud, and flowers bloom. It's an annual event that reminds us of new life. So, it's a perfect time to celebrate Easter.

As we celebrate Easter this year, we are once again reminded that because of Jesus, we always have something in which to look forward. We are able to endure difficult seasons because we know spring is coming. Our



circumstances change like the seasons, but new life is on the horizon. That is the promise of resurrection. We trust and follow the One who stepped out of the tomb. He has risen! And therefore, so do we!

As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus this year, I want to challenge you renew your commitment to Jesus. Seasons will continue to change, but keep your eyes focused on him. He continues to remind us that spring is near, so spring forward!