

MANAGER'S DESK FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018

WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

HE IS RISEN! [AND YOUR RESPONSE IS "HE IS RISEN INDEED!"]

Question: "Where does the saying 'He is risen; He is risen, indeed' come from?"

GOTQUESTIONS.ORG GIVES THIS Answer: A traditional Easter greeting in the Western church is the exclamation "He is risen!" and the traditional response is "He is risen, indeed!"

The greeting is ultimately based on Luke 24:34. Translations throughout church history have translated this verse nearly identically: "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Exactly how the saying became a standard greeting in the church is not known, although there are various theories regarding how it came into common usage.

We do know that, at first, the greeting was more common in Eastern and Byzantine liturgies than in the Western church. There is a tradition in the Eastern Orthodox Church that the saying was made popular by Mary Magdalene when she supposedly addressed Emperor Tiberius in Rome with the words "Christ is risen."

Using this address should be more than an empty tradition. The words "He is risen!" remind us of the joyous news we celebrate at Easter, that Jesus' death was not in vain, and that He has the power to overcome death. Saying "He is risen!" allows us to share this incredible truth with each other. The resurrection of Christ gives us hope for salvation and for our own resurrection and eternal life.

I HAD LEARNED IT WAS HOW THE EARLY BELIEVERS IDENTIFIED OTHER BELIEVERS.

MAY TODAY BE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A GREAT DAY OF CELEBRATING CHRIST'S RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD.

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