

# *Easter*

Three days – a lot can happen in three days.

It takes three days to fly to the moon – if you have a rocket. It takes three days to drive from Perth to Sydney, assuming you have some sleep along the way. But the phrase “a lot can happen in three days” is most frequently used of the Easter narrative.

Jesus’ followers were distraught after He was arrested and crucified to a cross as a criminal. They watched Him suffer and die. But three days later, they were so shocked to see Him alive. Had He been revived in the cool of the tomb where His body had been laid? Had someone resuscitated Him? No! He was resurrected by God’s power; never to die again.

They saw and touched His body, they ate and drank with Him. Jesus went out of His way to help them know that He was no ghost or hallucination. For forty days, before we went home to heaven, people saw Him alive. They even saw the healed nail wounds from the cross in His hands and feet.

If Jesus was resurrected, then this is huge! It proves He’s God’s Son. It also means that His death on the cross was significant – He died bearing our sins so that we could be forgiven and be saved. It also means Jesus is alive, and all who call out to Him, seeking His forgiveness will be saved - and will be with Him in heaven one day.

A message from Pastor Ian