

Friends,

As we all know, Holy Week and Easter Sunday have come and gone. While we are still in the season of Easter at church, all the festivities are over, the eggs are put away, and the family get-togethers are in the rearview mirror.

Getting past a holiday and returning to our normal routine can sometimes be difficult. Not long ago, I had someone tell me that the day after Christmas is their absolute least favorite day of the year, because it means that they have to get back the normalcy of their life and say goodbye to the special holiday cheer.

That's how our faith lives may feel to us. There are certain days of special joy and meaning that punctuate the church calendar, and special seasons where we may feel especially connected in our faith. But most days practicing our faith is more mundane. We may go through dry seasons where we don't feel very faithful, or don't feel much of a connection to what God's doing in our lives at all. Seasons where there is no great joy, or energy in our faith.

Holidays may come and go, but they're not what makes our faith. It's not on Easter Sunday, or Christmas Eve, but on all the other normal, mundane, ordinary days God has given to us that our real faith comes out.

So you may or may not feel like it today, but choose to be faithful. Choose to follow Christ, wherever you find yourself. Choose joy, choose forgiveness, choose to trust in God, and choose to be led by the Spirit, on this day.

On the journey with you,  
Pastor Jordan