



## Time & Eternity

As we begin this Journey to Pascha (Easter) together, participants not familiar with Orthodox Worship and Theology will notice lots of things written in present tense. For instance, we will say “Christ Is Risen from the dead,” rather than Christ Rose from the dead.

The reason for this is that God is eternal; “Eternal” means outside/not subject to time. It follows then that the things of God, including the worship we give to Him, are offered within the concept of eternity, and with our goal of eternal life, in mind.

“Participation in the kingdom of God means that time is transcended....Church is the body of Christ, which transcends time and space, joining people together in a transcendent community outside time, where everything is present in the Holy Spirit.”

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