

Sen. Warnock Deletes 'Heretical' Easter Tweet Amid Backlash

Yesterday, Christians across the globe celebrated the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, the event that split eternity and brought salvation to all those who believe in His name.

But Sen. Raphael Warnock, D-Ga., senior pastor of Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church, wrote in an Easter tweet that "The meaning of Easter is more transcendent than the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Whether you are Christian or not, through a commitment to helping others we are able to save ourselves." Conservative attorney Jenna Ellis and websites such as captured the shocking statement before Warnock deleted it after receiving massive backlash.

Warnock deleted his heretical tweet.

He should delete Reverend in front of his name too.

– Jenna Ellis (@JennaEllisEsq) April 5, 2021

Author and podcast host Allie Beth Stuckey posted a series of tweets in response to Warnock's, beginning with the statement that "there is nothing more transcendent than the resurrection of the God-man, Jesus":

There is nothing more transcendent than the resurrection of the God-man, Jesus. Literally: his resurrection transcends our finite conceptions of science & rationality. That the Word became flesh, dwelt among us, then was slain for our sins only to conquer death 3 days later?

– Allie Beth Stuckey (@conservmillen) April 4, 2021

Author Marcus Milam rebuked Warnock for using “Easter to deemphasize the resurrection of Christ” and “teach the doctrine of self salvation”:

Here was a tweet yesterday from one of Georgia’s Senators, @ReverendWarnock. Reverend Warnock used Easter to deemphasize the resurrection of Christ JD teach the doctrine of self salvation.

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– Marcus Milam (@mmilam75) April 5, 2021

And a Baptist pastor used a tweet to offer some sardonic encouragement to his fellow pastors:

Dear pastor, if your discouraged because you felt like you didn’t preach a great sermon this morning, rest in the knowledge that with one tweet/post Raphael Warnock preached one that was far worse. ☹️

– Darren Talley (@DarrenTalley) April 5, 2021

Warnock’s defendants also took to Twitter, either defending him or noting that they found nothing wrong in his comments:

This lady is literally calling the pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church – The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s church – a heretic. This actually happened today. Madame, I’m gonna take @ReverendWarnock’s take, as a pastor and a scholar on the Word over yours, if you don’t mind.

– Joy-Ann Pro-Democracy & Masks Reid (@JoyAnnReid) April 4, 2021

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