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The Power of Sacrifice

An Easter Message to the University of Ibadan Community

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Dear members of the University of Ibadan Community,

As we celebrate Easter, a season of renewal, hope, and redemption, I extend warm greetings to all members of the University of Ibadan community—students, staff, alumni, and our esteemed partners.

Easter reminds us of the power of resilience, sacrifice, and the triumph of light over darkness. In the spirit of this season, let us reflect on our shared commitment to excellence, unity, and service to humanity. Despite challenges, the University of Ibadan continues to shine as a beacon of knowledge and innovation, thanks to your dedication.

As we celebrate Easter this year, I invite us to embrace this moment with thankful sobriety for those who gave in order that we may have. In big and small ways, we are beneficiaries of the sacrifice of some others in our personal lives, for our University, and in our nation. I also invite us to contemplate ways in which we too can be channels of giving to those around us who do not have as much as we have.

Easter teaches us that following that dark Friday of painful giving is the bright Monday of abundant living.

As an administration, we are immensely grateful for the giving and support we have received from members of the University of Ibadan community: staff, students, alumni, donors, parents and other stakeholders. Without your support, we would not have come this far.

I wish you and your loved ones a joyful and peaceful Easter celebration. May the hope of the Resurrection guide us toward greater achievements in the coming months.

Thank you.

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