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Easter Time's Message



ONLY the coming of Easter could give to Spring its note of fulfilment. Only the sacred sentiment of the great religious festival could add to the flowering season the supreme touch of emotional beauty. Various as are the interpretations of those profound

meanings lying behind the historic observance of the Church, the essential feeling of Easter is of resurrection, of new life, of new hopes and expectations, and to this spiritual prophecy the springtime lends its physical reality, graciously pictorializing the promises of faith. If youth takes a gay view of its springtime liberties and opportunities, if the leap of the expanding season seems to accentuate the senses in its joy of color and clothes, the splendid significance of Easter is not dimmed nor its noble harmonies abated. Easter crowns majestically the unfolding loveliness of the year, and if the world sends up echoes of discordant conflict, Easter time's message gains in impressiveness of meaning on that account.