

CP — 4/9/23

The WKND - Sunday - Luke 24:1–12

### **Sermon Outline**

#### **The beauty of the resurrection accounts:**

- Eyewitnesses
- What? Who? When?
- The Gospels have variations of the same story, not contradictions.

Isaiah 53:10–12

#### **\*\*\*The different resurrection accounts remind us:**

- The ladies saw Jesus die. (Luke 23:49)
- The ladies saw Jesus buried. (Luke 23:55–56)
- The tomb was sealed and guarded. (Matthew 27:62–66)

#### **1. The Record of the Resurrection**

##### **\*There are several characters in the resurrection accounts:**

- The Empty Tomb (24:3)
- The Angels (24:4–7)
  - The stone was rolled away to let them in, not Jesus out.
  - Matthew 16:21, 17:22–23, 20:17–19
- The Women (24:8–11)
- Peter (24:12)
- The Guards (Matthew 28:11)
- The Chief Priests and Elders (Matthew 28:12–15)

##### **\*The point is: the tomb was empty!**

- The Jewish leaders didn't steal the body; they were afraid the disciples would.
- The disciples didn't know where the body went.
- The women didn't steal the body.
- Guards' breach of duty

##### **\*Everyone gives testimony to the empty tomb.**

- The angel - "He is not here"
- The ladies - "He was not there"
- The guards - Matthew 28:11
- The chief priests - Matthew 28:12–15

## **2. The Results of the Resurrection**

### **\*Vindicates the Son**

- wrote the check on Friday, it cleared on Sunday
- God is satisfied
- it is finished indeed-
- The Father vindicates the Son as the just one perfect one
  - the Son no longer under the wrath of God

**\*Acts 4:10–12, Philippians 2:8–11**

**\*Christ is the only way to God. There is only one way of salvation.**

### **\*Provides Our Justification - Romans 4:25–5:5**

- Justified by Faith (just as Jesus was no longer, neither are we)
- Peace with God - We stand in grace.
- Hope of Glory
- Hope that Does not Disappoint
- Bathed in the Love of God

### **\*Ensures Our Sanctification**

- Romans 6:4, Romans 8:11

### **\*Guarantees Our Glorification**

- 1 Corinthians 15:42–57
- Death is defeated - freedom from bondage
- Death doesn't get the last word.
- We will be fully united with him, not in part.

## **3. The Responses to the Resurrection**

**\*The women were astonished.**

**\*The soldiers were terrified.**

**\*The disciples didn't believe it.**

**\*The Jewish leaders denied it.**

**\*The resurrection demands a response!**

- Jesus is no longer on trial.
- The resurrection cannot be ignored.
- How have you responded to the empty tomb?
  - Women were the witnesses.
  - Peter and the disciples were the recipients.
  - The empty tomb is for those who don't deserve it.

### **Small Group Discussion**

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you in the Bible passage and sermon Sunday?
2. Why is the resurrection of Jesus so significant? Can there still be salvation without it?
3. How did the Father vindicate the Son by raising Him from the dead? What are the implications of Christ's resurrection?
4. How does the resurrection provide our justification, ensure our sanctification, and guarantee our glorification?
5. How have you responded to the empty tomb? How does it encourage you that it was women who first witnessed and testified to the resurrection? How does it encourage you that Jesus wanted the disciples to know He was alive, even though they abandoned Him?