

CP – 3/31/24

Luke 23:54–24:12 - Holy Week: Resurrection Sunday

Sermon Outline

The peasant, traveling carpenter, miracle worker, preacher, Jesus of Nazareth has no tomb. Historians, archaeologists, and scholars still debate on the site of where he body was buried for 3 days. Because he is no longer there! He has risen!

Resurrection Sunday shouts:

1. Somebody was in the tomb! (JESUS DIED)

*The women saw which tomb he was laid in.

*They rested on the Sabbath from their normal; He rested on the Sabbath after He did the ultimate work: atoning for our sins!

*Rest from your works; rest in His!

2. Nobody is in the tomb now! (JESUS ROSE AGAIN)

*The resurrection proclaims Jesus' death atoned for our sins.

(Rom. 4:24–25; Acts 5:30–32; Heb. 9:14; 10:12-13)

*The resurrection proclaims Jesus' claims about Himself are true.

(Rom 1:1–4; Acts 13:32–34; 17:31) - Jesus was vindicated!

*Who raised Jesus? God did (Acts, 2, 3, 4, 10); the Father did (Gal. 1:1, 1 Thes. 1:10; Spirit did (Rom. 1:4; 8:11); Jesus did (John 2:19, 10:18).

*The resurrection proclaims death and Satan are defeated.

(1 Cor. 15:20–22, 55–57; Heb. 2:14–15; 1 John 3:8)

*The resurrection proclaims eternal hope. (1 Pet. 1:3–5)

3. Everybody needs to know! (WE ARE HIS WITNESSES)

*The women had a testimony before (Luke 8:2–3) - evil spirits and calamities

*They now had a testimony about the resurrection. They went and told!

*What a foolish thing to build the resurrection on the testimony of women! Oh but it pleases God to take the so-called foolish things of the world and shame the wise!

Your testimony about Jesus may seem foolish to the world but God uses it!

Share that Jesus is raised from the dead!

*There is a God. He created us, but we have all sinned against Him.

*No one does good, not even one. All are guilty. We cannot save ourselves.

*Jesus come to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

- *We cannot reach up to Him; He came down to us.
- *He lived a life we did not live.
- *He died a death we should die.
- *He rose again that we might know resurrection life.
- *There is no hope outside of Jesus; there is nothing but hope through Him!

Part of our job in telling is to explain to our kids and others the important of the resurrection so that it doesn't just become a yearly calendar stamp. We possess a loving and living relationship with the King of the Universe, God Himself. He talks to us. We talk to Him. We are used by Him. We know Him. The resurrection shows us that we serve the living and true God! Remember His words! Remember he said He would rise again, and remember He did!

4. Anybody can come to Jesus for salvation!

(REPENT, BELIEVE THE GOSPEL, AND BE SAVED)

Muslim/Christian - "Who would you listen to? The dead man or the living man?"

Small Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the Scripture passage and sermon Sunday? What stood out? What do you have questions about?
2. Why is it important that the women saw the tomb where Jesus' body was buried? Discuss the significance of Jesus "resting" in the grave on the Sabbath.
3. What truths does Christ's resurrection proclaim? (See Main Point Two above). Discuss which one(s) resonate deepest with you (It's good if all of them do!). Who raised Jesus from the dead?
4. Compare Luke 24:8–10 with Luke 8:1–3. Who were the women at the tomb, and what had Jesus already done for them? What was their response to the resurrection? Is there a direct correlation with truly believing the resurrection and sharing it with others? Discuss as a group.
5. Who in your life needs to hear that Jesus is alive? Share first names with your group, and pray for these people to be saved and follow Jesus.