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He Has Risen
Luke 24:1-12
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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

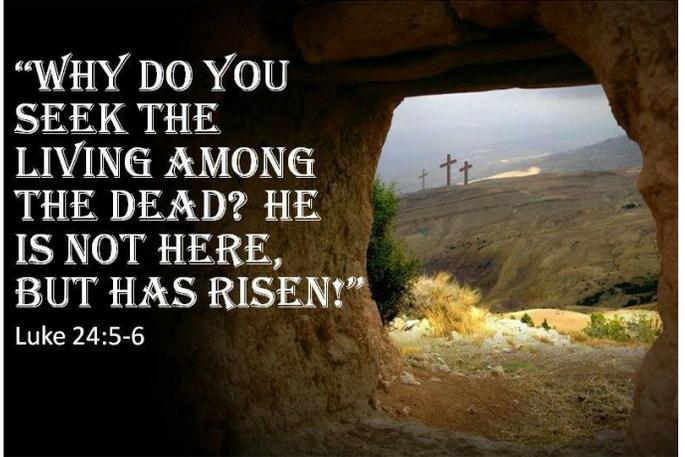
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

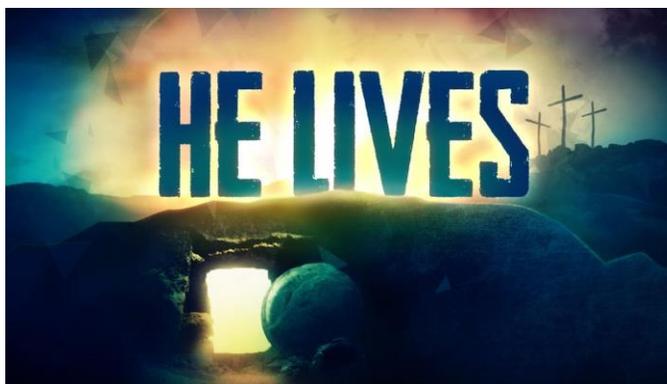
❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



**“WHY DO YOU
SEEK THE
LIVING AMONG
THE DEAD? HE
IS NOT HERE,
BUT HAS RISEN!”**

Luke 24:5-6



This is resurrection week. On Easter Sunday we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is alive. The resurrection is the central piece of all Christianity. Jesus proves that He has the power over sin and death. Death no longer has victory over us, Jesus has offered us life. The fear of death is a very real thing for most people. It is the unknown and to us seems irreversible. But at the resurrection Jesus shows that we can have life after death. His death on the cross was a sacrifice for our sins. And with the resurrection we understand that He offers us life eternal through Him. Have you embraced the power of the resurrection? Do you live with the confidence, hope and comfort that Jesus brought with Him from the grave. He has risen!

Luke 24:1-12 (NASB)

The Resurrection

24 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. ² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men suddenly stood near them in dazzling clothing; ⁵ and as *the women* were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, *the men* said to them, "Why do you seek the living One among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He

was still in Galilee, ⁷ saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again."⁸ And they remembered His words, ⁹ and returned from the tomb and reported all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now they were Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the *mother* of James; also the other women with them were telling these things to the apostles.¹¹ But these words appeared to them as nonsense, and they would not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings only; and he went away to his home, marveling at what had happened.

🕯 EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.

4. Is there anything repeated?

5. What is emphasized?

6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?

7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

🕒 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

8. Who was the first person to find the empty tomb? Why is this significant?

9. Why did the men not believe the women about the empty tomb?

10. What do we learn about Jesus through the resurrection?

11. The resurrection happened after Jesus died for our sins so why is the resurrection important to Christians? Did Jesus have to rise in order for us to be saved?

12. Why do you believe the resurrection is true?

③ EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion)
Why does this MATTER to me?

13. How does the fact that Jesus rose from the dead change the way you live your life?

14. How do we as Christians embrace the power of the resurrection? (read Eph. 1:18-20)

15. How does understanding the resurrection give us comfort?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to **KNOW**, to **FEEL**, and to **DO**...

SERMON NOTES