

Right Things, Wrong Places

Luke 24:5-6

LOOKING AT LUKE 24

What verse or moment caught your attention most?

What does Luke 24 reveal about Jesus?

With whom did you identify - the women, Peter, the Emmaus disciples, or the gathered disciples? Why?

THE QUESTION AT THE TOMB

“Why do you seek the **LIVING** among the **DEAD**? He is not here, but is risen!” - Luke 24:5-6

Normally, when something is missing, we return to the _____ place we remember seeing it.

The last time the women saw Jesus, He was _____. The last place they saw Him was at a _____.

Jesus was not where they expected Him to be - but He was exactly where His _____ said He would be.

RESURRECTED. VICTORIOUS. ALIVE!

1. RIGHT THINGS IN THE WRONG PLACES

The women brought _____ and perfumes because they expected decomposition, not resurrection.

Their devotion was beautiful, but their preparations were _____.

They arrived prepared to care for a _____, but they were not prepared to encounter a _____.

They came ready to preserve a _____. God was about to give them a _____.

They came carrying spices. They left carrying the _____.

KEY IDEA: What we carry often reveals what we expect from God.

PERSONAL REFLECTION | What burial “spices” am I carrying?

[] Anxiety • [] Resentment • [] Guilt • [] Resignation • [] Control • [] Something else:

2. JESUS' RESURRECTION CHANGED EVERYTHING

"If Christ is not risen, your faith is _____; you are still in your sins." - 1 Corinthians 15:17

Christ is the _____ of those who have fallen asleep. - 1 Corinthians 15:20

The resurrection means death is still an enemy - but now a _____ enemy.

Because He lives, we will _____. Because He rose, the grave will not _____ those who belong to Him.

Jesus' resurrection was the beginning of a NEW HISTORY for humanity.

3. REMEMBER WHAT HE SAID

"Remember how He spoke to you... Then they remembered His _____." - Luke 24:6, 8

Friday said, "Jesus is dead." The tomb said, "It is over." Their grief said, "There is no hope."

But the _____ of Jesus said, "On the third day I will rise."

FAITH allows the Word of Jesus to interpret our **CIRCUMSTANCES** instead of allowing our circumstances to reinterpret His **WORD**.

TESTIMONY IS THE WINDOW

Experiences become _____, but the truths they reveal about God become _____.

My faith is not anchored in God repeating the same _____. My faith is anchored in the same _____.

Testimony is not ultimately, "Look at what happened to me." It is, **"Look at who God revealed Himself to be."**

MY TESTIMONY EXERCISE

1. One experience in which God met, carried, corrected, protected, provided for, or revealed Himself to me:

2. What lasting, biblical truth does this reveal about who God is?

3. Where do I need to trust that truth today?

THE FINAL QUESTION

Where have I been searching for life? Acceptance in approval? Peace through control? Security in possessions? Identity in achievement? Healing through distraction?

What expectation or conclusion reveals that I may be living as though Jesus were still inside the tomb? _____

*"Every true disciple is born into the kingdom of God as a missionary...
The receiver becomes a giver." Ellen G. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 195*

JESUS IS ALIVE!