

Connect Groups Week of 3/31/24

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- Title: <u>From Empty To Filled!</u> 1. Focused on Death (v. 1,2)
- Mary loved the Lord...Luke 8:2 Believed the body of Jesus was taken away...Why? Jesus had told them 3X *plus*...
- 2. Focused on Failure (v. 3-6)

Peter lost the race ...

Saw the scene...No Reaction of Hope

The Evidence for the Bodily Resurrection of Jesus:

3. Focused on the Details (v. 7-10)

John saw the surprising details...

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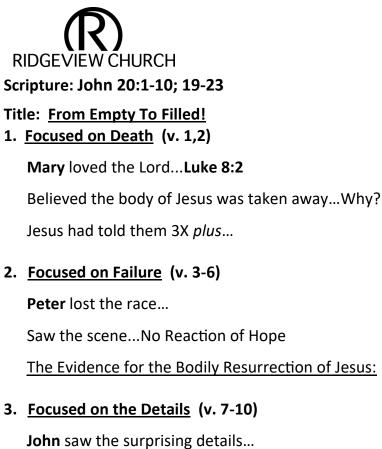
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HE IS RISEN!

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