

Resurrection Sunday

9.4.23

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read John 20

1. What is society's view of the resurrection? Why?
2. What do you think Mary Magdalene was thinking as she made her way to the tomb?
3. What do you know of Mary Magdalene? What history does she have with Jesus?
4. What is the significance of the first witness to the risen Jesus being a woman? Why would this be an issue?
5. Why do you think Mary did not recognise Jesus? What might this tell us about his resurrected body?
6. What is the significance of Mary encountering Jesus in a garden and mistaking him for a gardener? What resonances with other scripture passages does this have?
7. In verse 17, Jesus says, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father." What does he mean by this? Why would it be important?
8. What does the resurrection mean to you?
9. How has the resurrection altered your worldview? What changes has it meant for you?
10. What has God been saying to you this Easter? How will you respond?

Prayer points:

- Pray for the people of Turkey and Syria in the aftermath of the earthquake.
- Pray for the ill and vulnerable in our communities.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe.