

Take Another Look

Matthew 28:1-10

A Consuming Fire Easter Sunday

“After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb... ⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.” – Matthew 28:1, 5-7 (NIV)

The women in this text are simply _____ to a _____.

We _____ we are simply _____ to a _____.

_____ is _____!

“He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay.” - v. 6 (NIV)

A _____ dawn breaking _____!

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we[b] boast in the hope of the glory of God.” – Romans 5:1-2 (NIV)

Digging Deeper & Life Application:

- The women went to the tomb expecting death but found life instead. When have you encountered Jesus in an unexpected way that transformed your expectations?
- How can we move from simply knowing about the empty tomb to being active witnesses who proclaim hope where others only see death?