



// SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE //

# ROAD TO RESURRECTION

SERIES | IT'S NOT OVER



On the "Road to Resurrection," we learned about 8 things people did to Jesus during the crucifixion. As the journey continued, we later addressed 7 things at the scene of the burial to suggest that Jesus' life was over. Yet, the prophecy had to be fulfilled.

This sermon series concludes with proof that no matter what happens in life, no matter how bad it looks, there is still a resurrection because *it's not over* until the Word over your life is fulfilled.

#### THIS WILL BE A RECORD BREAKING YEAR.

The Resurrection can be found in all 4 gospels:

- Matthew 28
- Mark 16
- Luke 24
- John 20

Philippians 3:10 NIV - I want to know Christ – yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

#### WHAT THEY DID

- 1. They **charged** him
- 2. They **tried** him
- 3. They **found him guilty**
- 4. They **stripped** him
- 5. They put a **crown of thorns** on his **head**
- 6. They beat him and spit on him
- 7. They **crucified** him
- 8. They **hung** him **between two thieves**

#### THE SCENE OF THE BURIAL

- 1. **Dead body** No breath, no pulse
- 2. **Linen clothes -** Appearance
- 3. **Spices** Smell coming out of pores
- 4. **Tomb** Location
- 5. **Stone** What is blocking you
- 6. **Seal** Final notices
- 7. Guard People



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#### YOU OWE US A RESURRECTION.

#### **HOW YOU KNOW IT'S NOT OVER**

Jeremiah 29:11 KJV - "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an <u>expected end</u>."

- Based on what it looks like, you would think it's over.
- You are living proof that God can do the impossible.
- Wherever there's a "before" picture, there's always an "after." God will never leave a situation the same as when He came.

### THE RESURRECTION REMINDS US THAT YOUR REVELATION IS ABOUT TO GET RESULTS.

#### THE STONE IS ROLLED AWAY

John 20:1 NIV - Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and <u>saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.</u>

- Faith requires you to close your eyes and open your ears.
- You shall live in your expectations. Small expectations yield small results.

Isaiah 45:2 NIV - I will go before you and will level the mountains; I will break down gates of bronze and cut through bars of iron.

- God will fight for you. He is giving you supernatural breakthroughs for your blockage.
- Preserve your energy and let God work on your behalf.

What is your "stone" right now? Are you focused more on moving it yourself or God moving it?

#### THE BLOCKAGE IS REMOVED.

#### THE BODY IS GONE

John 20:2 NIV - So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

- God is calling you just as you are.
- You have already received everything that you need from your past. You can never go back as a victim, you are a victor.

Isaiah 61:3 NIV - "and provide for those who grieve in Zion – to bestow on them <u>a crown of beauty</u> instead of ashes, the <u>oil of joy</u> instead of mourning, and <u>a garment of praise</u> instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor."





- Things are no longer what they used to be. Everything is changing.
- God is changing your scenery.

What is your evidence that God has changed you from who you used to be?

#### DON'T ALLOW PEOPLE TO KEEP YOU WHERE THEY MEET YOU.

### THE GUARD IS REPLACED WITH AN ANGEL (PEOPLE)

Mark 16:4-7 NIV - [4] But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. [5] As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. [6] "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. [7] But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

- God is about to replace some people in your circle and release angels on your behalf.
- God is replacing your blockers with announcers. Even your enemies will acknowledge that God is on your side.

Psalm 91:11 NIV - "For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;"

• What happens in the earth, happens in heaven. God is sending you help. What was is no longer.

How have you seen your circle change? Have you ever had an angelic encounter?

# DON'T TRY TO EXPLAIN YOURSELF TO DOUBTERS. YOUR RESULTS WILL SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.

#### THE ASSIGNMENT IS CLEAR

Matthew 28:10, 16-20 NIV - [10] Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." [16] Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. [17] When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. [18] Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. [19] Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

- You will see God like never before. There will be an exchange between you and Him.
- God is expanding your reach as you go after things He instructed you to do.
- God is with you, for you, and in you.



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What has God instructed you to do? How does knowing God help you complete your assignment?

Proverbs 23:18 KJV - For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.

- How this ends matters and has generational effects. Your latter will be greater.
- The world is waiting for you. You cannot give up even in the midst of your pain and exhaustion.

What has God revealed to you about your life?

## THE RESURRECTION REMINDS US THAT GOD IS ASSIGNING SOME PEOPLE TO ANNOUNCE YOUR ARRIVAL.

### **QUESTION**

How have you seen God shift your life and circumstances?

#### **DECLARATION**

God is changing my situation, my life, and my circle. It's not over!

#### **PRAYER**

Jesus, I thank You for paying the ultimate price for me. While You never sinned, You died for my sins. You hung on the cross for me. I am so grateful that while You could have come down from the cross, You stayed. My heart is full of gratitude that not only did You take the whipping, You hung on the cross, went to the grave, and laid dead for three days just for me. As if that was not enough, You rose on the third day that I may have life and have it more abundantly. Because of Your resurrection, I live. Thank You Jesus for the most precious gift. I love and honor You God for giving Your Son for me, In Jesus' name, Amen!



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