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Easter Sunday – April 4, 2021
Luke 23:50-24:8: Why Do You Look For The Living Among The Dead?

The history of crucifixion:

Who was Joseph of Arimathea?

Why did the women not bring their spices right away?

How did Jesus' burial in Joseph's tomb fulfill prophecy of Scripture?

What did the angels say to the women?

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here. He has risen.

Remember what Jesus said:

The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and He must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. (Luke 9:22)

Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. (John 2:18)

An evil and adulterous generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign shall be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet; for just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth (Matthew 12:39-40).

Therefore, my Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it again (John 10:17 & 18).

Have you trusted in Jesus?

Application:

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever. (1 John 2:15-17)

HOME GROUP questions for Luke 23:50–24:8...

1. Why is the resurrection central to the Gospel? Read the following Scriptures and discuss:
   - Romans 6:1-5
   - 1 Corinthians 15:12-19
   - John 11:15
2. How would you respond to the angel in verse 5, *"Why are you looking for the living among the dead?"* What areas of your life are you looking for things that bring death instead of life?