

The Good News that brings Great Joy!**Luke 24:1-8**

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵ In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷ ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” ⁸ Then they remembered his words.

The Good News that Brings Great Joy!**Jesus is NOT in the tomb!****Jesus has RISEN!****The RESURRECTION of Jesus**

Women are the first to share the *Good News that brings Great Joy* delivered to them by angels!

The disciples did not believe the women’s testimony.

Peter goes to the tomb, sees the burial cloths, and walks away confused.

Appearance #1 On the Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-32)

Jesus walks along the road with two men and instructs them from the OT inspiring them to believe.

Appearance #2 The Disciples see Jesus alive and well (Luke 24:34-49)

Jesus appears to all the disciples affirming his bodily resurrection and rebuking their doubt!

Final Instructions from Jesus**Luke 24:45-49**

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Luke’s Final Emphasis from Jesus is on the Holy Spirit’s Power for Believers

Jesus instructs them to wait in Jerusalem to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower them to share the *Good News that brings Great Joy!*

Resurrection Sunday Effect**Philippians 3:10**

¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings!

Participation in his sufferings

1. Acknowledge your sin. (Romans 3:23)
2. Count yourself dead to sin. (Romans 6:1-10)
3. Daily crucify your sinful nature. (Galatians 2:20)

Power of his resurrection

1. United with Jesus in death and with him in resurrection. (Romans 6:5)
2. The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead lives in believers. (Romans 8:11)
3. We have a living hope through the risen Lord. (1 Peter 1:3)
4. Jesus keeps his promises! (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)