

Why Seek the Living Among the Dead

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Luke 24

- Women went to the tomb with Spices
- Entered the empty tomb
- Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive
- He isn't here, He is risen from the dead
- They rushed back to tell his disciples
- Unbelief – wondering what happened

Appearances

- Two men on the Road to Emmaus – Luke 24
- The disciples – Luke 24
- The disciples on the beach – John 21
- To Thomas with the others – John 20
- To Paul as well as others – 1 Corinthians 15
- 1 Corinthians 15:3-8
 - 500 followers
 - James
 - All the Apostles
 - Saul/Paul

Instructions before Ascension

- Luke 24:44-53 – Critical Incident Debrief
- Everything written of me in the law and prophets must be fulfilled
- Messiah – suffer and die and rise from the dead
- This message is to be proclaimed
 - In the authority of his name
 - To all nations
 - Forgiveness of sins for all who repent
- You are witnesses of all these things
- I will send the Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit fills you with power from heaven
- Acts 1:8

Why seek the living among the dead?

- Seeking life among death?
- Dead pursuits for fulfillment, satisfaction, pleasure – among the world and authored by the one who comes to steal, kill, destroy
- Salvation among dead religions – world religions with leaders who are in the grave
- Romans 1:4 (NLT2) and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord.

Seek life from the living

- Living Lord to direct your paths
- Life giving experiences Jesus came to give (John 10:10)
- Eternal life from salvation
- The New Life that we have now - Romans 6:4 (NLT2) For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.
- 1 Corinthians 15:22 (NLT2) Just as everyone dies because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life.
- The New Life that is yet to come - 1 Corinthians 15:42-44 (NLT2)
- Jesus – proof of the resurrection
- Seek life among the living!