

Easter Empty Tomb

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: The significance of the empty tomb gives Christianity credibility and Jesus the ultimate authority. Because of the tomb's emptiness, followers of Jesus can now walk in the fullness of wonder, grace and devotion.

Luke 24:1-12 (NIV)

The Empty Tomb Means:

- Fullness of Wonder 1 Corinthians 15:14; 19 (NLT)

- Fullness of Grace 1 Corinthians 15:17 (NLT) Romans 5:8 (NIV)

The Good News of Jesus applies best when you truly recognize the Bad News of You.

You don't need to be sinless to get grace, you need to get grace to sin less.

- Fullness of Devotion

Devotion to Jesus is the place where the human heart is most satisfied.

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- **2)** Read Luke 24:1-12. As you read this account, what kind of thoughts do you think the women and Peter had when they first discovered the empty tomb?
- **3)** Read 1 Corinthians 15:14; 19. Describe how the resurrection of Jesus gives you hope for the future, and causes wonder about eternity.
- **4)** Read 1 Corinthians 15:17 and Romans 5:8. How do you feel about the true tension that, "you are far worse than you could ever imagine," and "you are for more loved than you could ever comprehend?"
- 5) The angel's asked the women at the empty tomb, "Why are you looking for the living among the dead?" Where in life are you looking for things/people to satisfy you when only devotion to Jesus can? Have you experienced the fullness of this satisfaction yet? Explain.