

Looking for the Living (Easter Sunday)

Scripture Reading: Luke 24:1-12

Discussion Questions

1. Happy Easter! He is Risen! Do you have any great Easter memories? What stands out to you when you think of Easter?
2. The sermon today is called, "Looking for the Living." In Luke 24:1-12 we read that some of Jesus' female followers went to His tomb early on Easter morning. When they arrived they were shocked to see that Jesus wasn't there. Two angels greeted them and asked them this question. "*Why do you look for the living among the dead.*" Read this passage for yourself. What stands out to you as you read? What questions do you have of the Bible as you read this passage?
3. The reality was that these followers of Jesus weren't looking for the living at all. They were certain that Jesus was dead, they had traveled to His tomb looking for the dead. Have you ever had an unexpected encounter with Jesus? Maybe He met you in a way you didn't expect or didn't see coming. Maybe you were at a low point, and then somehow you felt like Jesus reached out to you. What was that like?
4. Many people in our society continue to look in the wrong place for something to give them life. We look toward entertainment. We look toward hobbies or recreational activities. We look toward relationships. The reality is if we look for life anywhere but in Jesus, we are looking in the wrong place. John 14:6 says: "*I am the way, the truth, the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*" What areas of life are you guilty of looking toward for fulfillment? What would it look like to look toward Jesus in the year ahead?