

# Sunday Sermon Guide

Central Baptist Church – Crockett, Texas

April 1, 2026 – Resurrection Sunday: The King is Alive – Now What?

**Main Passage:** Luke 24:1-35

## Main Idea:

The resurrection of Jesus changes everything and demands a personal response.

## Introduction

- Expectations don't always match reality
- The disciples expected a reigning King
- Instead, they saw a crucified King
- The question they faced:
  - *"The King is dead... now what?"*

## I. CONFUSION AT THE TOMB (Luke 24:1–12)

- The women came expecting death, not resurrection
- The stone was rolled away → the body was gone
- They were perplexed and confused
- The angels declared:
  - Jesus is **alive**
  - Just as He **said**
- The disciples:
  - Dismissed it as **nonsense**

### Truth:

- God's plan often contradicts our expectations

## II. DISAPPOINTMENT ON THE ROAD (Luke 24:13–27)

- Two disciples leaving Jerusalem:
  - **Discouraged**
  - **Defeated**
- Their words reveal their heart:
  - *"We were hoping..."*
- They misunderstood:
  - *The **mission of Jesus***
  - *The **necessity of the cross***
- Jesus:
  - *Rebukes their unbelief*
  - *Explains how all Scripture points to Him*

### Truth:

- Misunderstanding the cross leads to misplaced hope

### III. REVELATION THROUGH THE WORD (Luke 24:28–32)

- Jesus taught them before revealing Himself
- Their eyes were opened after understanding
- Their response:
  - “Weren’t our hearts burning within us?”

#### Truth:

- True understanding of Jesus comes through His Word

### IV. RESPONSE TO THE RESURRECTION (Luke 24:33–35)

- Immediate response:
  - They **got up and returned to Jerusalem**
- From:
  - Confusion → Clarity
  - Despair → Joy
- Their message:
  - *“The Lord has truly been raised!”*

#### Truth:

- The resurrection demands a response

### THE CENTRAL QUESTION

- Friday: *“The King is dead... now what?”*
- Sunday: *“The King is alive!”*

**NOW:** *“The King is alive — now what will you do with Him?”*

*“You can’t see Jesus for who He truly is until you **understand** why He had to die.”*

*“The cross was not the end of the story; in fact, it was only the **beginning**.”*

*“The resurrection doesn’t just **prove** Jesus is alive—it proves He is exactly who He said He was.”*