"Remember!"

New Hope Community Church Luke 24:1-12 April 17th, 2022

A. Facing Life In the Absence of Faith

- 1. The women expected to find a tomb **covered** by a large stone
 - What they found was the stone removed from the tomb!
- 2. The women expected to find a body wrapped in grave cloths
 - What they found was a missing body
- 3. The women expected to find a lingering spirit of darkness
 - ► What they found were angels with lightning like garments
- 4. The women expected to find **death**
 - What they found was life!
- 5. The men expected the end result to be **natural**
 - What Peter found was the supernatural!

* What was missing in route to the tomb was **FAITH**!

B. Conquering Life In the Victory of Faith 1 John 5:11-15

1. To the person who does not believe in the empty tomb -

- "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." (Pr 14:12)
- There is the testimony of God (I J 5:11,12)
 Faith takes hold of the gift of God's Son and believes
- 2. To the person who believes in the empty tomb
 - God's desire is that we live in the confidence of His truth (1 J 5:13)
 - There is the promise of God (1 J 5:14,15)

• If we ask in faith, no matter what the trial, His resurrection power will work in us to have victory

Personal Reflection

- Today there are many **deceptions** in the world, but the empty tomb is not one of them!
- **Faith** in the risen Savior opens the door to a triumphant life.

"And they remembered His words." <u>Luke 24:8</u>

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Life Group Discussion Questions Week of April 17, 2022

Read Luke 24:1-12 together.

1. What were some of the natural things that the disciples, both women and men, expected to find at Jesus' tomb ?

2. What were some of the supernatural or miraculous things they actually encountered ?

3. What were the words of Jesus that the disciples remembered? How did these words kindle faith in their hearts ?

How can we pray for you this week?