

He Is Risen

A Sunday Solution to a Friday Situation

Mark 16:1-8 NLT

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2 Very early on Sunday morning, just at sunrise, **they went to the tomb.**

3 On the way they were asking each other, **“Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?”**

4 **But as they arrived, they looked up and saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled aside.**

5 When **they entered the tomb,** they saw a young man clothed in a white robe sitting on the right side. The women were shocked,

6 but **the angel said,** “Don’t be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. **He isn’t here! He is risen from the dead!** Look, this is where they laid his body.

7 Now **go and tell his disciples**, including Peter, that **Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you before he died.**”

8 The women fled from the tomb, trembling and bewildered, and they said nothing to anyone because they were too frightened.

Introduction: A Present Reality with Future Expectations

In my attempt to give contextual clarity to the significant, sovereign and relevant meaning to both the crucifixion and the resurrection of Christ. My aim is to move us deeper into the depth of this revelatory reality, by convincing you to live in the power of the present now revelation of the resurrection. If you do not have this understanding activated in your life, I need you to get it today. What is it that I want you to get? I want you to embrace as a foundational belief, **The Power of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ**. I want you to etch it in stone in your mind and heart, for future referencing. At many future points in your life, you're going to need it. Life will prove this point, that there is no escaping the reality of the fallacies and tragedies within the human experience. But herein lies the problem.

Too many believers and non believers, are suffering from the affliction of the disease called; **the lack of knowledge**. It has been often stated as a human expression; what you don't know can't hurt you. However, that is totally a misnomer filled with incorrect, inaccurate, and misleading claims. For

example, Dry cleaning, no such reality because they use a liquid solvent, not water, but definitely not dry. Wireless network, it still requires a wired network. So what you don't know can actually hurt you, hinder you, and hold you hostage to false realities, appearing to be real. Allow me to insert into this referencing of the lack of knowledge, another misnomer that is deceiving and misleading. **“The Deception of Human Perfection, without Christ.”**

So as we approach this narrative we want to give full descriptive details to the illuminated truth that is in-couched within this resurrection reality. You have power available to you, that you don't use as a part of your daily armor. However, your faith is what unlocks it and unleashes it. If you don't believe in the resurrection of Christ, you are lost.

1 Corinthians 15:12-19 NLT

12 “But tell me this—since we preach that Christ rose from the dead, why are some of you saying there will be no resurrection of the dead?

13 For if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised either.

14 And if Christ has not been raised, then all our preaching is useless, and your faith is useless.

15 And we apostles would all be lying about God—for we have said that God raised Christ from the grave. But that can't be true if there is no resurrection of the dead.

16 And if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised.

17 And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins.

18 In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!

19 And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world.”

- **Everything that Jesus said with His mouth, he matched it with how He lived His life.**

Undeniable Purpose: He must go to Jerusalem, suffer and be rejected, killed and on the third day he'd be raised from the dead.

Matthew 16:21 NLT

“From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead.”

Matthew 17:22-23 NLT

22 “After they gathered again in Galilee, Jesus told them, “The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies.

23 He will be killed, but on the third day he will be raised from the dead.” And the disciples were filled with grief.”

The disciples were dealing with psychological and emotional trauma after the crucifixion of Jesus. This caused there to be dysfunctional triggering and reactions. Here is what they experienced.

- **Grief because of personal loss.**
- **Guilt because of personal shame.**
- **Fear because of a lack of personal faith.**

What is there in your life that has led you to a place of surrender, to the point where you are saying things like this?

- **What difference is another change going to make?**
- **Why would I invest more mental and emotional effort into something that can't guarantee me a winning outcome?**

- **If I don't do this myself, how will the results ever be different?**

"You will never have a different outcome, until you have a different input."

"You'll never experience different results until you embrace a different route and routine."

Your regimen is not working, but you're too rigid, regulated and filled with resistance and rebellion, to see the way out. This rebellion has caused you to be living in a dead situation when one humbling decision, could change your life. **He Lives to make you Free!!**

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The stone that is against the tomb is no match for the one behind the stone. God has already dealt with everything that has been up against you.

4 But as they arrived, they looked up and saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled aside.

By the time you get there, God will have already been there and done the impossible thing that you couldn't have done on your own.

5 When **they entered the tomb**, they saw a young man clothed in a white robe sitting on the right side. The women were shocked,

6 but **the angel said, "Don't be alarmed.** You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, **who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead!** Look, this is where they laid his body.

God has an exit strategy for you as a part of His plan for your ultimate victory, and everybody will ultimately come to know it, even if they don't ever see it.

- **They were looking for the right thing but in the wrong place.**

7 Now **go and tell his disciples**, including Peter, that Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee. **You will see him there, just as he told you before he died."**

“Stop looking for me where you last saw me (past) come see where I’ve moved from, to where I’ve moved to.”

“I’ve had a historical and geographical change and shift.”

8 The women fled from the tomb, trembling and bewildered, and they said nothing to anyone because they were too frightened.

They ran from the tomb.. Why stay there if Jesus isn’t there.

They were in an emotional frenzy.

They were experiencing excitement, amazement and fear.

Why fear? Because of incomplete clarity because, they hadn’t seen Him. And not being certain of what could happen if the wrong people discovered that He Had Risen.

But let me help you out right here; The Jesus who was crucified and buried, is not the same Jesus that is now resurrected. Before His resurrection, He was the meek and lowly lamb, submitted to the cross. Now He is the Resurrected King situated now to be enthroned and crowned, KING OF KINGS, LORD OF LORDS!! Death has been

conquered and had its sting snatched away from it. The grave has lost its victory.