

•1 Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. 2So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” 3So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. 4Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. 6Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, 7and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. 8Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. John 20:1-9

•We interrupt this *REGULARLY* scheduled program...

•Something has INTERRUPTED the regular. ***Interruption-to stop or hinder by breaking in.***

•A TV show is one thing. Life is another. What interrupted your life?- REGULAR, NORMAL, TYPICAL, NATURAL, expected as usual.

•**Suddenly** ... our life was interrupted by an unexpected event or unanticipated news...

•**Disruptive Innovation-** *Something must mess up the old in order to introduce something new.*

•Disruptive changes produce complexity and uncertainty

•Breaks up the norm. Changes the Game- Henry Ford- roads, fuel, repairs

•The butterfly effect is the idea that small, seemingly trivial events may ultimately result in something with much larger consequences. For instance, when a butterfly flaps its wings in India, that tiny change in air pressure could eventually cause a tornado in Iowa.

•Disruptive Innovation- get out of the way something new is coming.

•I can handle Divine Delays. *But **Divine Interruptions?***

•***They couldn't see it. For them it was just an INTERRUPTION.***

•They have buried their normal, predictable, reliable. Their regularly scheduled programming has been interrupted by Death, Defeat, Disaster. In a borrowed tomb, their hope lays wrapped in a death shroud. Behind a stone their plans for a restoration of a kingdom lays buried. ***How do you bury the AUTHOR of Life? The INFINITE has been INTERRUPTED!***

• **Messiahs don't die. The Son of God can't be killed. You can't crucify "the resurrection and the life."**

•Peter: "You are the Christ!"/"I don't even know him!"

•Matthew, John, Luke, and Mark all bring us the same story: there were no heroes. **They acted just like we do. Ran, fled, abandoned- THEY PANICKED.**

•***How do you respond when life gets interrupted? We ERUPT at the INTERRUPTION, and it ain't pretty.***

•I wasn't angry until my life got interrupted... drink, depression, fear, ***But ever Since!***

•You believe something ended ... ***STAY TUNED!***

• **The resurrection gave meaning to the interruption. The Resurrection points to the POWER of the Cross.**

•**The resurrection gives meaning to your mess.**

•Replaces the finality of death with the hope of Eternal Life.