

DAY 8: RESURRECTION POWER

Suddenly, the silence was broken. The women who came to grieve are the first to witness the incredible truth: the stone was rolled back, and Jesus, once dead, is now alive! The tomb could never hold the one who triumphed over sin, death, and the grave. The miracle is here and is still changing lives today.

Word of His resurrection spread quickly, stirring awe and wonder in all who heard it. What was impossible became reality. Jesus rose from the dead, fulfilling every promise He made, proving He is the Son of God, and offering hope and new life to everyone who believes.

MATTHEW 28:1-10

“After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

The angel said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples: He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him. Now I have told you.’

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell His disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. ‘Greetings,’ He said. They came to Him, clasped His feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see Me.’”

Jesus is alive! The resurrection is the foundation of our faith. Without it, there would be no hope, no victory, and no promise of eternal life. But because Jesus rose from the dead, we stand redeemed. His resurrection proves that He has defeated sin and

death, offering the same victory to all who trust in Him. This means that whatever challenges we face, we have an unshakeable hope. Pain, struggle, and doubt are temporary in light of the resurrection. Jesus' triumph over death gives us the power to overcome any power of darkness that comes against us.

The resurrection calls us into a new way of living. His followers are now marked by hope, purpose, and power. Because Jesus lives, we can walk in His resurrection power, facing the trials of this life with confidence.

REFLECT

Take time today to consider what the resurrection means for your life. Jesus is alive, and His victory is yours too. Are you embracing the fullness of that new life? Celebrate the hope, freedom, and strength that come from the resurrection. If you're facing struggles, remember that the same power that raised Jesus from the dead is at work in you.

PRAYER

Jesus, thank You for rising from the dead and defeating sin and death forever. I celebrate Your victory today and the hope it brings. Help me to live fully in the power of Your resurrection, trusting that nothing can stand against the life You give. Fill me with Your strength, and help me walk boldly in Your victory every day. Amen.