Afterward He appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table; and He reproached them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who had seen Him after He had risen. Mark 16:14

What was it that kept them from believing in the resurrection before the resurrection?

Warning do not let you animals or kids swim in this pond because of alligators and snakes.

The greatest deterrent to the disciples unbelief was common sense.

The Bible is not supposed to make sense, it is supposed to make faith. Kamran Karimi

But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. 1 Corinthians 2:14

Common sense robs us of our sense of revelation.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might come and anoint Him. Mark 16:1

Very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.

Mark 16:2

Saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again. And they remembered His words. Luke 24:7-8

Yet their common sense had robbed them of divine revelation.

I wonder how much money, time, and effort we have wasted because we substituted reason for revelation.

"Reason is a whore, it is the greatest enemy that faith has; it never comes to the aid of spiritual things, but more frequently than not struggles against the divine Word, treating with contempt all that emanates from God." Martin Luther

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. John 10:27

Common sense robs us of our sense of opportunity.

They were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

Mark 16:3

If they had been listening they would have needed no one to roll away the stone.

Looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large.

Mark 16:4

Entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed. Mark 16:5

And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him. Mark 16:6

He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, Luke 24:6

Common sense robs us of our sense of celebration.

Now after He had risen early on the first day of the week, He first appeared to Mary Magdalene, from whom He had cast out seven demons. Mark 16:9

She went and reported to those who had been with Him, while they were mourning and weeping.

Mark 16:10

When they heard that He was alive and had been seen by her, they refused to believe it.

Mark 16:11

After that, He appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking along on their way to the country. They went away and reported it to the others, but they did not believe them either.

Mark 16:12-13

But these words appeared to them as nonsense, and they would not believe them. Luke 24:11

But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings only; and he went away to his home, marveling at what had happened. Luke 24:12

Common sense robs us of our sense of adventure.

And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

Mark 16:15

He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned. Mark 16:16

These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues; Mark 16:17

They will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." Mark 16:18

So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. Mark 16:19

And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed. Mark 16:20