

# Sermon Discussion Guide 04.09.23 Message | Tyler Myers | Luke 24:1-12

## **Key Scriptures:**

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

Luke 24:1-12

Jesus to the disciples, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."

Luke 9:22

"For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate... It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

Luke 15:24, 32

He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'

Luke 16:31

## Message Highlights:

- As humans, we tend to forget the power that rests in the great, powerful and beautiful Gospel.
- Remembering the resurrection reorients the way we live right now!



#### **Conversation Starter:**

Have you ever been in on the secret of a surprise party? How was the party's purpose fulfilled once the guest of honor arrived?

# **Discuss the Message:**

- 1. In Luke 24, what do the 'men in dazzling apparel' ask those who come to the tomb?
  - a. Just as the group looked for the resurrected Jesus within a tomb, do you find yourself looking for purpose, hope or fulfillment in the wrong places? How so?
  - b. How can you intentionally remember God's promises and place your hope in Jesus and his second coming?
- 2. Who initially discovered the empty tomb in Luke 24:1-12?
  - a. Considering the women's marginalized position in ancient Jerusalem's society, what does the passage teach you about who can be a key player in sharing the Gospel?
  - b. Think of a unique identifier for yourself, whether that's a cancer survivor, a coach, a single parent, etc. How do you see God showing up in this identity or aspect of your life?
- 3. Luke 15 reminds us that Easter is a time to celebrate and be glad! What do you find yourself giving thanks for this Easter season?
  - a. When God shows up, he does miraculous things for us individually and as God's people collectively. Where have you seen God show up in your life or in the life of those around you this month?
  - b. In what ways can you invite God to show up?
  - c. How can you allow the resurrection to reorient the way that you live beyond Holy Week?

## Pray:

Jesus, we come to you this Easter Sunday humble and grateful for your sacrifice on the cross. Thank you that we get to live in the freedom and the glory of the resurrection. We are full of hope and celebration when we think of our eternal future with you. Until then, may the Gospel always reorient our perspective, our actions and the way that we choose to live. Amen.