



IT'S NOT OVER

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MATTHEW 28:1-8

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ² 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. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

MATTHEW 28:1-8

⁵ The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ 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.” ⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

OUTLINE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS:

1. We need an encounter

OUTLINE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS:

2. We need to tell others

- **2 Timothy 4:2-6** Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³ For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴ They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵ But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. ⁶ For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near.

OUTLINE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS:

2. We need to tell others

- Philippians 2:17 But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you.
- Philippians 1:29 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him

OUTLINE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS:

3. We need to position ourselves

QUESTION

How many times have you miss something that could have made a big difference?

PEOPLE WHO SHOW UP:

- Less regrets
- Less unanswered questions
- Less doubting
- Less second-guessing

PEOPLE WHO SHOW UP:

- More knowledge
- More overall awareness
- More confidence
- More relationships

QUOTE

We live and die;
Christ died and lived.

- JS

TRUTH

We owed a debt we could not pay;
and He paid a debt He did not owe.

- Anonymous

TRUTH

No matter what comes my way I must remember that God is NOT surprised. My trial was not meant to harm me it was sent to strengthen me.

- Anonymous

QUOTE

We don't even get to be selfish with
our HARDSHIPS.

- PD

ACTS 9:15-16

But the Lord said to Ananias, “Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.”

QUESTION

What are you going through NOW that God can eventually use for His glory?

PSALM 139:1-8

You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.
² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. ³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. ⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

PSALM 139:1-8

⁵ You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. ⁷ Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? ⁸ If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

REMEMBER THIS:

- God knows WHO you are
- God knows WHAT you are going through
- God knows WHY you are going through it
- God knows HOW He is going to help you through
- God even knows WHEN the answer is coming

TWO REACTIONS TO THE RETURN OF CHRIST:

- I. Excitement or "I can't wait"
- II. Fear or "I'm not ready"

HEBREWS 12:1

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14

Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

MATTHEW 28:6

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