



S E R M O N N O T E S

THE EMPTY TOMB

IT IS FINISHED, BUT HE AIN'T THROUGH!

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Luke 24:1-12; Mark 16:1-11; Matthew 28:1-11; John 20:1-23

□ **THE EMPTY TOMB**

- “Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him.” – Mark 16:1
- They came to the tomb to **ANOINT** His body
- **Tomb** – a burial place for the dead
- They came **EARLY**, and on the **FIRST** day
- “Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.” – Mark 16:2
- They came at first light
- When you see the light, you need to come to Jesus!
- “...Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.” – II Corinthians 6:2
- “But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying his coming’ – Matthew 24:48
- The LORD has delayed His **COMING**, but he hasn’t delayed is **CALLING!**
- “But he said to them, ‘Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. **He is risen! He is not here.** See the place where they laid Him.’” – Mark 16:6
- They came looking for a dead Jesus, but He wasn’t there!
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□ **THEIR EMPTY HEARTS**

- Their hearts were empty because their hearts were **TROUBLED**
- “And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?”” – Mark 16:3
- They came **BY FAITH** (II Corinthians 5:7)
- They realized that they didn’t have the **STRENGTH** to move it
- “But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb.” – John 20:11
- “Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him.” – John 20:13b

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SERMON NOTES

- “But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large.” – Mark 16:4
- While they were trying to **FIGURE** it out; God had already **WORKED** it out!
- “For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, ‘The righteous shall live by faith.’” – Romans 1:17
- We don’t faith for the whole **JOURNEY**; we just need faith for the next **STEP**
- **IT IS FINISHED, BUT HE AIN’T THROUGH!**
- **THE EMPTY ROBE**
 - “But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves...” – Luke 24:12a
 - This was **LIVING** proof; Jesus is **ALIVE!**
 - “...and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened.” – Luke 24:12b
 - The resurrection is **MARVELOUS!**
 - He **SHED** His **EARTHLY** garments to **SHARE** His **HEAVENLY** vestments
 - “I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.” – Isaiah 61:10
 - His earthly garments were dirty, bloody and useless
 - We need to put on the Garment of **PRAISE**
 - “To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.” – Isaiah 61:3
 - **IT IS FINISHED, BUT HE AIN’T THROUGH!**
 - He ain’t through with **YOU!**
 - “Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” – Hebrews 12:2 (Philippians 1:16)



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