

He has Risen

Sunday April 18, 2010

Luke 24:1-12

Intro

Why did they write this?

- John and Luke – That you may **believe**; that you may **know**
- Eyewitness Reports – Window to Disciples' Experience

Tombs and Burials

- Two Stage Process

Look at the Disciples

Putting Ourselves in Their Place

- Expectations about Messiah
- Beliefs about Resurrection
- Experience of Grief

It was a Surprise!

- They Did Not Expect the Resurrection

Look at the Angels

The Announcement – He Has Risen

The Reminder – He Told You

Look at Ourselves

The Disciples' Shocked Wonder

- Some of this would be good for us!
- Worship, Gratitude, Following, Serving

Then They Remembered

- It was a Surprise ... But they had been told
- They Needed Reminding at the Right Time
- We Need to be Reminded
- We Can Sometimes be Reminders

Bible Listening Groups

Two experiences launched the early Church on their journey of following and announcing the new Way of God – the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This spring we will follow on from Easter by looking at these two experiences through the writings of Luke. We will examine the end of the Gospel of Luke and the beginning of the book of Acts (the two books in the Bible written by Luke) to see how the early believers were utterly transformed by the Resurrection and the Spirit.

As well as hearing about these passages in the weekly sermons, we invite you to try out one of our Bible Listening Groups. All of the groups that meet in a particular week will look at the same passage, and that passage will be the basis of the sermon on the following Sunday. These groups are small, meet for one hour, and require no preparation or homework. They provide a guided time of listening for God in the words of the Bible. Contact Pastor John if you would like to join a group, or if you have any questions.

Easter and Pentecost

The Week	The Sunday	The Passage
Apr 12-17	Sunday Apr 18	Luke 24:1-12
Apr 19-24	Sunday Apr 25	Luke 24:13-35
Apr 26-May 1	Sunday May 2	Luke 24:36-53
May 3-8	Sunday May 9	John 20:19-31
May 10-15	Sunday May 16	Acts 1:1-11
May 17-22	Sunday May 23	Acts 2:1-21
May 24-29	Sunday May 30	Acts 2:36-47
May 31-Jun 5	Sunday Jun 6	Acts 3
Jun 7-12	Sunday Jun 13	Acts 4:1-22
Jun 14-19	Sunday Jun 20	Acts 4:23-37