

I. Introduction: Jesus rose from the grave, a fact attested to eleven different times, over a 40-day period, to more than 500 eyewitnesses, who knew Him personally.

- A. The resurrection is the greatest event in human history. Jesus is the first and only human to resurrect from the grave, demonstrating that He alone can provide salvation.

II. Jesus is Risen! (Matt 28:1-20; Mark 16:1-20; Luke 24:1-53; John 20:1-21:25)

- A. The Women Arrived (**Matt 28:1-8; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-8; John 20:1**).
- B. Peter and John Ran (**Luke 24:9-12; John 20:2-10**).
- C. Mary Magdalene Returned (**Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18**).
- D. The Women Discovered (**Matt 28:9-10**).
- E. Two Disciples Journeyed (**Luke 24:13-32; Mark 16:12-13**).
- F. The Disciples Hid (**Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-25**).
- G. Thomas was Convinced (**John 20:26-31**).
- H. The Disciples Reinstated (**John 21:1-25**).
- I. The Disciples Commissioned (**Matt 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18; 1 Cor 15:6**).
- J. The Savior Departed (**Acts 1:3-12; Luke 24:50-53**).

III. Conclusion: Jesus' death and resurrection changed the world because in them He provided forgiveness from sin, power over death, and eternal life for those who believe.

Study Questions: Jesus Is Risen!

1. What is the single greatest event in human history? Why is the resurrection of Jesus more significant than anything else? Why does it matter that He was resurrected? (**1 Cor 15:12-19**)
2. Why did the women come to the tomb early? (**Luke 24:1-3**) Who did they see at the grave? (**Matt 28:1-8**) What did they do when they saw the empty tomb? (**Luke 24:9-11**)
3. What was the response of the disciples to the news? (**Luke 24:9-12; John 20:2-10**) What did Peter and John see? (**John 20:7-10**) Who did Jesus appear to first? (**John 20:11-18**)
4. Who did Jesus appear to next? (**Matt 28:9-10**) Why was it significant that Jesus appeared to the women first? Who were the first men He appeared to? (**Luke 24:13-32**)
5. Where were the disciples when Jesus appeared to them the first time? (**Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-25**) Who was absent? How did Jesus appear to him? (**John 20:26-31**)
6. Where did the disciples see Jesus next? (**John 21:1-25**) Why did they go to Galilee? (**Matt 28:7; Mark 14:28; 16:7**) What was the purpose of Jesus' appearance in Galilee? (**vv. 15-19**)
7. What was Jesus' final commission for them? (**Matt 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18**) Why were some of them still doubting? (**v. 17**) What comfort did He offer to them? (**v. 20**)
8. What happened in Jesus' final appearance? (**Acts 1:3-12; Luke 24:50-53**) Why were they supposed to wait for the Holy Spirit? (**Acts 1:8**) What is your reaction to Jesus' resurrection?

Prayer

1. Will you pray and ask God for the reality of the resurrection to impact your heart deeply?
2. Will you pray and ask God to strengthen your belief in Jesus and His resurrection?