

This Changes Everything

Matthew 28:1-10

Introduction:

- A. Do you remember the day that changed your life? (Promotion, marriage, children, diagnosis).
- B. People tend to remember those moments that forever change their lives.
- C. Has Jesus' death and resurrection changed your life?

The Trials of Jesus

- A. Jesus was betrayed and denied by one of His own (Matt. 26:14-16; 47-56; 69-75).
- B. Jesus was beaten and mocked (Matt. 27:26-29).
- C. Jesus was spit upon and humiliated (Matt. 27:30-44).
- D. Jesus was alone and murdered (Matt. 27:45-50).

The Triumph of Jesus - The Day That Changed Everything

- A. The stone was not rolled away to permit Jesus to come out, but to allow the disciples to go in.
- B. Eight simple yet profound words changed the course of human history (Matt. 28:6).

The Resurrection Changes Everything for Us

- A. We Can Worship Knowing He is Worthy of Our Worship
 - 1. Our worship of the Lord should be different from all other forms of worship (Psa. 100:1-3).
 - 2. Worship should be a part of our every day lives and not just something we do on Sundays.
- B. We Can Serve Knowing Our Service is not in Vain.
 - 1. Because of Jesus' resurrection, we know that serving Him is not empty (I Cor. 15:58).
 - 2. Sometimes it's easy to feel as though our service is worthless, but it's not (1 Sam. 12:24).
- C. We Can Live in Peace
 - 1. Because Jesus conquered death, we also can conquer death (I Cor. 15:51-57).
 - 2. No matter what happens to us, in the end we WIN (Phil. 1:21-24).
- D. We Can Anticipate His Return
 - 1. After the apostles had received disturbing news, Jesus promised His return (Jn. 14:3).
 - 2. We should never be so in love with the world, that we dread the thought of His return (I Jn. 2:15-17; Tit. 2:11-13).

Conclusion:

- A. Question for us to consider...Has the resurrection of Jesus changed our lives or just our day?
- B. If we can't live and practice those things mentioned above, perhaps the resurrection of Jesus hasn't changed us much at all.