

Resurrection Hope

Mark 16:1-8

Because of Jesus' resurrection, we have hope

The hope of:

1. _____ for those who are _____

2. _____ for those who are _____

3. _____ for those who have _____

For Further Reflection and Discussion

Opener: Describe your favorite family pet from anytime in your life.

How did God speak to you or work in you at church this Sunday?

Read Mark 16:1-8. As this story begins, what is the emotional state of these women?

- Why do you suppose they felt this way?

In what ways do you identify with the women and how they felt?

- Who do you know who's feeling something similar?

What did the women expect to encounter when they went to the tomb?

- If Jesus had promised them that he would rise again (v. 7), why weren't the women expecting this?

Have there been times when, looking back, your expectations about what God would do were different than they should have been? When was that, and why was that the case?

The angel told the women not to be alarmed. How can knowing that Jesus was raised from the dead give us peace?

Before you believed in Jesus, what questions did you have? What (or who) helped you find answers to those questions?

- Since you've been a believer, what questions have you wrestled with? What answers have you found? What answers are you still waiting for?

Why do you think Jesus singles out Peter (v. 7) as one who should hear that Jesus would meet him in Galilee?

In your life in this season, what would you say you need most—peace, answers, or grace?

- As you think about the people you know who are struggling, what do they need most?

How can we pray for one another?