

**The Risen Lord**  
**Prophetic Living – Part 7**  
Life Church St. Louis – April 12, 2020  
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*1 Peter 1:3 (ESV) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

*1 Corinthians 6:14 (ESV) And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.*

*Romans 10:9 (ESV) because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

## **1. Believe the empty tomb evidence**

*John 20:1 (ESV) Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb.*

### **1A. Jesus' body is missing**

*John 20:2 (ESV) So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."*

### **1B. Disciples confirm**

*John 20:6-7 (ESV) Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.*

*John 20:9 (ESV) for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.*

## **2. Understand the supernatural encounters**

*John 20:11 (ESV) But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb.*

## **2A. Angelic confirmation**

*John 20:12-13 (ESV) And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."*

## **2B. Jesus appears**

*John 20:15-16 (ESV) Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).*

## **3. Tell the good news**

### **3A. Mary's witness**

*John 20:17-18 (ESV) Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.*

### **3B. Jesus sends disciples**

*John 20:21-22 (ESV) Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.*

## **Action Plan for This Week**

Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Read John 20).  
 Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun

Invite a friend to watch the service online next week.

How will I obey God's Word this week? \_\_\_\_\_

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# The Risen Lord Study Guide

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Intro. How would you describe the “living hope” that comes through the resurrection (1 Peter 1:3)?

Intro. Why do you think that there seems to not be much emphasis on the resurrection from dead in churches these days (1 Corinthians 6:14)?

Intro. Why must a person believe in the resurrection in order to be saved (Romans 10:9)?

Intro. In what ways does the resurrection bring hope today?

1A. What emotions do you think Mary Magdalene was having as she walked to the tomb (John 20:1)?

1B. Why do you think that Mary concluded that Jesus’ body had been stolen (John 20:2)?

1C. How does the description of the grave clothes in John 20:6-7 show that the body was not stolen?

1D. What other evidence could you give someone who doubted the resurrection?

2A. Why do you think that the angels appeared to Mary in the tomb (John 20:11)?

2B. What can we learn from Mary about responding to crisis (John 20:12-13)?

2C. Why did Mary only recognize Jesus when He called her name (John 20:15-16)?

2D. How can intense emotions or fears impact our ability to discern spiritual realities or appreciate the promises of God?

2D. How can we overcome unbelief in the midst of the current crisis?

3A. Why did Jesus tell Mary that He was ascending to the Father (John 20:17-18)?

3B. What was the point of Jesus’ greeting to the disciples (John 20:21)?

3C. In what way was Jesus sending the disciples (John 20:21)?

3D. What happened to the disciples when they received the Spirit (John 20:22, John 14:16-17)?

3E. How is Jesus sending you to share the resurrection news?