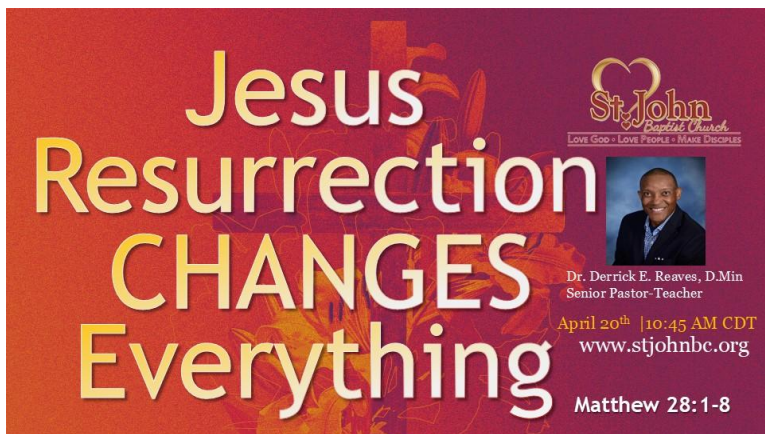




Jesus
Resurrection
CHANGES
Everything

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Matthew 28:1-8

Sermon Notes

Matthew 28:1–8 (ESV)

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.

⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.

⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.

⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.”

⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

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(Answer key located on back page)

I. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES THE OLD _____ ORDER.

- The Sabbath represented the entire old covenant way of following God through _____ and _____.

Application:

Stop trying to earn God's approval through religious rules.

Replace _____ with daily conversations with Jesus as with a close friend.

II. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES THE NATURAL _____ ORDER.

Jesus' resurrection was a _____ event that showed God's authority is greater than:

- Death's power
- Physical barriers (the stone)
- Human power (the guards)

Application:

Identify your three biggest fears and write them down. Next to each fear, write: "The power that raised Jesus conquers my fear of _____."

III. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES OUR PERSONAL _____.

Matthew 28:5-6 reveals four powerful changes:

1. "Do not be _____" - Frees us from fear's grip
 - **Application:** When fear rises, speak truth aloud: "Because Jesus lives, I don't have to fear _____."
2. "As he _____" - Jesus keeps every promise
 - **Application:** Create a "Promise Journal" with God's promises for your challenges.

3. "Come, _____ the place" - Moves us from hearing about faith to experiencing it firsthand.
 - **Application:** Set aside a specific place and time to encounter Christ daily.
4. The angel's presence reveals that heaven and earth are _____ through Jesus Christ's resurrection.
 - **Application:** Remember that divine help surrounds you.

IV. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES OUR _____ AND DIRECTION.

- The resurrection creates in us a powerful _____ to share this world-changing news.

APPLICATION: Put resurrection urgency into action:

- Identify one person who needs hope
- Prepare your simple resurrection story
- Reach out this week to someone

PERSONAL REFLECTION:

What area of my life needs resurrection power the most right now?

COMMITMENT:

Because of Christ's resurrection, this week I will:

NEXT STEPS:

- ☐ Take a step of faith and respond to Pastor Reaves invitation.

KEY VERSE TO REMEMBER: *"He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay."*

- Matthew 28:6



Answer Key

I. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES THE OLD <u>COVENANT ORDER</u> • Rules and rituals • Replace performance with daily conversations II. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES THE NATURAL <u>WORLD ORDER</u>. • Jesus' resurrection was a cosmic event	III. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES OUR PERSONAL <u>REALITY</u>. 1. "Do not be afraid" 2. "As he said" 3. "Come, see the place" 4. Heaven and earth are connected through Jesus IV. THE RESURRECTION CHANGES OUR <u>PURPOSE AND DIRECTION</u>. • Creates a powerful urgency to share
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The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, (Romans 3:23)

The Ugly News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23a)

Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **"God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins. Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"**

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9–10)

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