



Sermon Discussion Questions

May the Word of God SHAPE and MOLD us into the image of Jesus!

CHECK INS: Let's check in quick with each other; how are we doing folks...?!?

9.21.25 - SERMON RECAP:

This week we looked at John 20:11-18 and the how Jesus meet Mary Magdalene in her sorrow. We all are aware that there is hardships in this life that challenge us and often raise up emotions that can distract us from seeing God working in our lives. As we discuss the passage lets lean in how to apply it further into our every day life. Lets turn now to John 20:11-18 and read it. (As a group, lets take turns reading this scripture together; and then ponder/discuss these questions for our lives.)

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. What does Mary's grief at the tomb tell us about her relationship with Jesus? In what ways does her relationship mirror or challenge our own relationship with Jesus in seasons of loss or confusion?
2. How do hard/emotional times in our lives often lead us to have blurry vision? Is there a time you can share about when you failed to see Christ working in your life because of tough circumstances?
3. Read John 10:27-30: Jesus shares here that his sheep hear, are known, and follow him. What other promises are being extended by Christ in this passage? How do these things secure our relationship with God?
4. How great is it that Jesus calls to Mary by name (VS 16), do we realize that Jesus still calls us by name today! How does this truth (that Jesus still calls us by name) impact how you feel and respond to your relationship with Jesus?
5. In verse 17, Jesus refers to "my Father and your Father, my God and your God." What does this shared relationship say about our new identity in Christ?
6. Responding to Christ involves Admitting our condition, Believing Christ can save us, Confessing our personal sin asking for forgiveness, and Surrendering control to God. Initial Faith begins with these things but how do we have to continue practicing these for our sorrow to be turned into Joy? Which part do you struggle the most with?
7. Why is it significant that the first person to find the empty tomb and the first evangelist was Mary and not one of the apostles?
8. How might Mary's shift from weeping to witnessing serve as a model for how we respond to encountering the risen Jesus in our own lives?

LIFE APPLICATION / PRAYER:

What is one application from this passage that you want to live out?

How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Gospel Transformation

Compassionate Engagement



Authentic Relationship

Kingdom Multiplication

