I. SOME PEOPLE RESPOND TO EASTER WITH A SIMPLE FAITH.
   A. The disciple whom Jesus loved had that kind of simple faith—20:1-3.
      1. What a great nickname, the disciple whom Jesus loved.
      2. When John simply looked in the tomb he believed—20:4-8.
   B. Some of you here today have a simple faith like that.

II. OTHERS STRUGGLE WITH FAITH.
   A. Peter was one who struggled with faith—20:6-7.
   B. Some of you here today are struggling with faith.
      1. In Mark 16:7, Jesus issued a special invitation to Peter to believe.
      2. If anyone should have been left off Jesus’ invitation list, it should have been Peter, who denied he ever knew Jesus.

III. SOME PEOPLE RESPOND TO EASTER WITH A GRIEVING FAITH.
   A. Mary Magdalene’s faith was like this—20:1-2
   B. Maybe you’re having trouble with Easter too because, like Mary, you’re stuck in your grief.
      1. If this is you, then be encouraged with what Mary discovered. She discovered that Jesus knew her name—20:14-16.
      2. He knows your name too and his answer to your sorrow is expressed by the apostle Paul—I Corinthians 15: 55-57.