

Scripture

John 20:11-29

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb

12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

13 They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."

14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

15 He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for? "Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

16 Jesus said to her, "Mary. "She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabbani!" (Which means "Teacher").

17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' "

18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of

the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Jesus Appears to Thomas

24 Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came.

25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

TODAY @ THE FLIPSIDE

Easter Sunday

"First Words"

Speaker : Pastor Kevin Reynolds

Notes:

Study Questions

Monday:

What stood out to you about Pastor Kevin's message this Easter Sunday?

Tuesday:

What emotions was Mary feeling before she saw Jesus? How did those change after she saw Jesus?

What emotions were the disciples feeling before they saw Jesus? How did those change after they saw Jesus?

Mary was overcome with grief, the disciples with fear, and Thomas with doubt. What's one thing they all had in common before seeing Jesus?

Wednesday:

What does the resurrection of Jesus prove about what Jesus said about himself throughout the entire Old Testament and Gospels?

Thursday:

Why did John write the Book of John? (Read verses 30-31)

Friday:

Whether this was the first time you have heard the story of the resurrection or if you have heard it thousands of times...what does this mean for you? What does His promise fulfilled and His victory mean for you?

: Easter Sunday:

: April 16th, 2017 :