

## Happy Resurrection Day!

**Message Summary:** The resurrection of Jesus Christ addresses our fear of death, our hope for the future and confidence to move forward and serve the Lord. Let this Easter be a point of reference to remind us to go and tell what we have experienced. Tell people that the empty tomb makes for a full life. Jesus said, “*Rejoice! . . . Do not be afraid. Go and tell*” (Matthew 28:9,10).

# THE EMPTY TOMB

Matthew 28:1-10

Angel said COME and SEE so that you can GO and TELL. (vv.6,7)

1. **COME - into the tomb.**
2. **SEE - the place where the Lord lay.**
  - **See the humility of Christ.**
  - **See the reality of Sin.**
  - **See the mortality of men.**
  - **See Victory over death.**
3. **GO – quickly.**
4. **TELL – His disciples that He is risen from the dead.**

LifeGroup QUESTIONS: *All LifeGroups on Spring Break until April 23*

BEGIN IT- (5 min) Spend time praising the Lord & pray that God leads the study.

OPEN IT – (10 min) If you could go back in time and witness any historical event, which one would you choose? Why?

EXPLORE IT- (60 minutes) Read Matthew 28:1-10 and review Sunday’s sermon outline together and any additional notes people made during the message.

In v.1 when did the events of this passage occur?

1. If you can mentally place yourself at the tomb of Christ on that first “Easter morning,” what emotions would you be feeling?
2. Why is the Resurrection important to us as Christians?
3. How might you answer a skeptic who argued that Jesus didn’t really rise from the dead?
4. Why should we be interested and motivated to tell others about this amazing historical fact of the resurrection of Christ?
5. How has God placed certain people in your life so that they might hear about Christ and how He has changed you?

APPLY IT- (15 min) In what practical and realistic ways can you become more effective this week in spreading the Good News about Jesus Christ?