

A dramatic sunrise or sunset scene. A bright sun is positioned in the upper center, creating a powerful sunburst effect with numerous rays radiating outwards. The sky is a mix of dark blues and greys, with a horizontal band of golden-yellow clouds just below the sun. At the bottom, a dark silhouette of a horizon line is visible, with a bright, glowing area of orange and red light just above it, suggesting the sun is either rising or setting. The overall mood is one of hope and renewal.

HE HAS RISEN



but these words seemed to them an idle tale,  
and they did not believe them.

Luke 24:11



## Mark 16:1-8

“ When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> And they were saying to one another,

‘Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?’<sup>4</sup> And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large.<sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed.<sup>6</sup> And he said to them, ‘Do not be alarmed.

You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.' <sup>8</sup> And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."





Four score and seven years ago our fathers  
brought forth, upon this continent, a new nation, con-  
secrated in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition  
that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, test-  
ing whether that nation, or any nation, so conceived,  
and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met  
here on a great battle-field of that war. We ~~have~~<sup>have</sup>  
~~come~~<sup>come</sup> to dedicate a portion of it as <sup>a</sup> final rest-  
ing place <sup>for</sup> of those who here gave their lives that  
that nation might live. It is altogether fitting  
and proper that we should do this.

But in a larger sense we can not dedicate—  
we can not consecrate—we can not hallow this  
ground. The brave men, living and dead, who slug-  
gled here, have consecrated it, far above our power  
to add or detract. The world will little note,  
nor long remember, what we say here, but  
can never forget what they did here. It is  
for us, the living, rather to be dedicated  
here to the unfinished <sup>work</sup>, which they have,  
thus far, so nobly carried on. It is rather

# The Gettysburg Address by Abraham Lincoln

The Hay copy, with Lincoln's handwritten  
corrections



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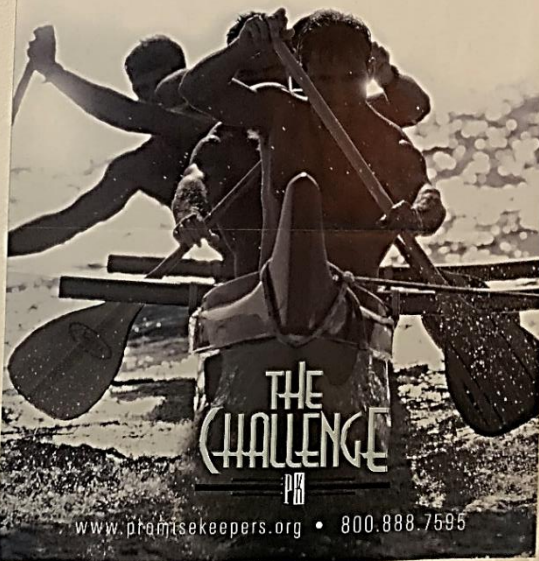
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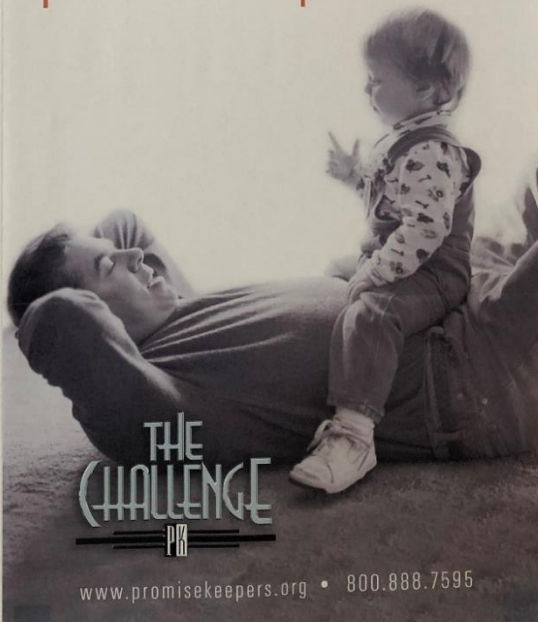


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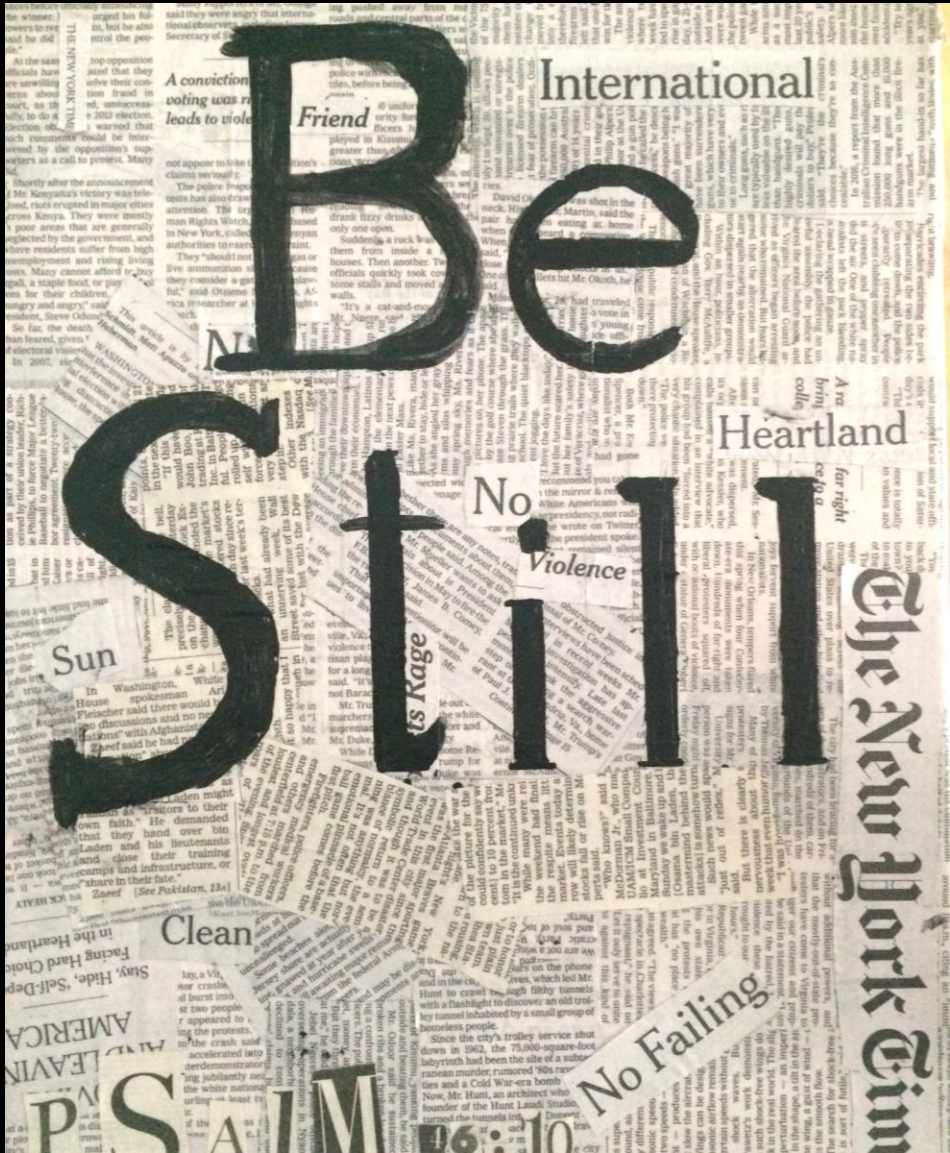
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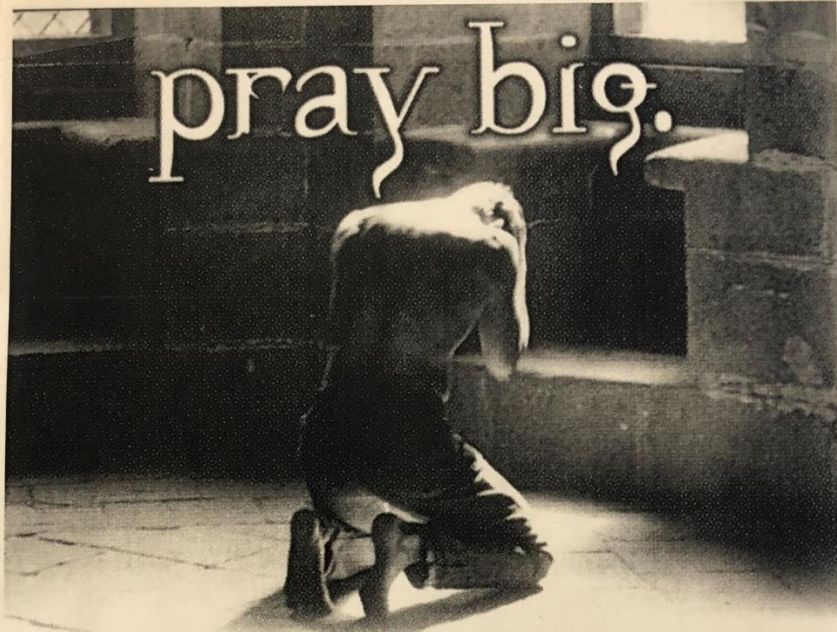
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**16:10**

**No Failing**

**The search for...**





*Jesus said, "...ask and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you." We serve an awesome God, one who is able to do more than we could ever imagine. Ask God to use you in a great way to further His Kingdom.*





**BUT GOD**

EPHESIANS 2:1-9

*BUT GOD*, BEING RICH IN MERCY, BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT LOVE WITH  
WHICH HE LOVED US, EVEN WHEN WE WERE DEAD IN OUR  
TRANSGRESSIONS, MADE US ALIVE TOGETHER WITH CHRIST.





.....and Peter



But go, tell his disciples and Peter that  
he is going before you to Galilee. vs7



.....and Peter



For God is my witness, how I yearn  
for you all with the affection of  
Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:8





**The Resurrection means Jesus embraces  
His disciples with affectionate love.**



## **1) The affection of Jesus for His faithful followers.**

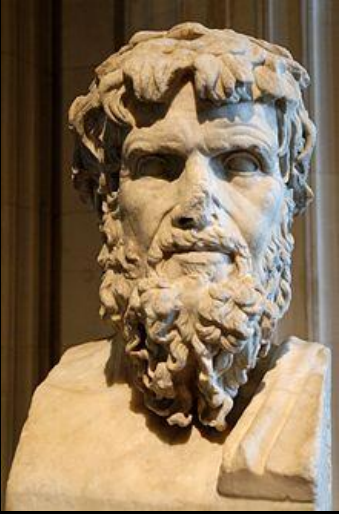
When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. vs1



“It was the reward of the loyal female disciples, who had accompanied Jesus to the place of crucifixion and stayed with Him through the horror of His execution, to be entrusted by Him with the most powerful message that has ever impacted the world: He is risen.”

Ruth Tucker: Daughters of the Church





“Christianity can’t be true, because the written accounts of the resurrection are based on the testimony of women- and we all know women are hysterical.”

Celsus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Century, Greek philosopher.





I've Been To The Mountaintop





## **2) The Affection of Jesus for failing followers.**

But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." vs 7



“The resurrection revokes death and destruction and it revokes sin—even as extraordinary a breach of faith as Peter’s. Jesus does not give up on his disciples no matter how great their failure or how many their faults.....”

David Garland



“The way of discipleship is not a triumphant procession through the world, ...It is a way marked by personal failure after personal failure. Mark’s story, however, is not about the disciples foolishness and failure. The gospel is about the power of God, which overcomes human dysfunction and disaster & disobedience.”

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“However real and disastrous may be the power of our evil in troubling the communion of love between us and the Lord...never forget that our sin is utterly impotent to turn away the tide that flows to us from the heart of Christ.”

Alexander Maclaren



'But how?' we ask.

Then the voice says, 'They have washed their robes and have made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

There they are. There *\*we\** are - the multitude who so wanted to be faithful, who at times got defeated, soiled by life, and bested by trials, wearing the bloodied garments of life's tribulations, but through it all clung to faith.

My friends, if this is not good news to you, you have never understood the gospel of grace.

[Brennan Manning, The Ragamuffin Gospel: Good News for the Bedraggled, Beat-Up, and Burnt Out](#)



### **3) The Affection of Jesus for fearful followers**

And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

vs 8



"Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. vs6





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“If you took the love of all the best mothers and fathers who have lived in the course of human history, all their goodness, kindness, patience, fidelity, wisdom, tenderness, strength, and love and united all those qualities in a single person, that person’s love would only be a faint shadow of the furious love and mercy in the heart of God the Father addressed to you and me at this moment.”

— [Brennan Manning, \*The Furious Longing of God\*](#)



.....and Peter



But go, tell his disciples and \_\_\_\_\_  
that he is going before you to Galilee.

vs7





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