

John Chapter 20 – Teaching Notes

The Resurrection of Jesus

Last Week of Jesus' Life

- Friday Jesus is at Bethany
- Saturday The Triumphal Entry
- Sunday Jesus curses the fig tree
- Monday Conspirators counsel to betray and kill Jesus
- Tuesday Last Supper (14th of Nissan) – Exodus 12
- Wednesday Crucifixion
- Thursday Feast of Unleavened Bread begins
- Friday Women prepare spices
- Saturday Sabbath rest
- Sunday Resurrection (17th Nissan) – Note Genesis 8:4 – new beginning in Christ = Noah and new beginning for the earth.

Paul's explanation of the Gospel (good news) - I Corinthian's 15:1-4

1. Died for our sins according to the scriptures – Isaiah 53
2. Was buried – Isaiah 53:9
3. And He rose again on the third day according to the scriptures – Ps 16:10; Ps 49:15

The third day – Matthew 12:24 – reference to Jonah

No resurrection our faith in in vain – I Cor. 15:13-19

John Stott – Four Evidences of the Resurrection

1. The empty tomb – no body was found
2. The post resurrection appearances
 - 1) To Mary Magdalene Jn 20:11-18; Mk 16:9-11
 - 2) To women returning from tomb Mt 28:8-10
 - 3) On Emmaus Road Mk 16:12; Lk 24:13-35
 - 4) To Peter 1 Cor 15:5
 - 5) To 10 disciples in Jerusalem Jn 20:19-25; Lk 24:36-49; Acts 1:3-5
 - 6) To 11 disciples in upper room Jn 20:26-31; 1 Cor 15:5
 - 7) To 7 disciples in Galilee Jn 21:1-25
 - 8) To apostles and >500 Mt 28:16-20; 1 Cor 15:6
 - 9) To James 1 Cor 15:7
 - 10) To apostles on Mt. Olives Acts 1:6-12; 1 Cor 15:7
 - 11) To Stephen at his stoning Acts 7:55-60
 - 12) To Paul at his conversion Acts 9:3-8, 17; 22:6-15; 26:12-19; 1 Cor 9:1; 15:8
 - 13) To Paul at Corinth Acts 18:9,10

- 14) To Paul in the temple Acts 22:17-21
- 15) To Paul later in Jerusalem Acts 23:11
- 16) To Paul in another vision 2 Cor 12:1-4
- 17) To John on Patmos Revelation

3. The Disciples were changed – believed unto death
4. The Church – the gates of hell have not prevailed against us

Also referenced in Job 19: 25 – 27 – I know my redeemer will live...

Also, it is interesting to note, it was Jesus' enemies that believed the tomb would be empty.

Vs 1-10 Mary Magdalene visits the tomb – discovers the stone is rolled away

- Healed by Jesus of 7 demons
- Was wealthy
- Was a leader of women
- Was a follower of Jesus from Galilee
- Watched the crucifixion
- Was at the cross with the others
- Went to tomb with spices for burial
- First to see the risen Lord
- Told the disciples

Peter and John run to see the empty tomb

- Find the linen clothes and the face cloth folded up
- They did not remember or know the scripture about Jesus being raised from the dead – Ps 16:10; which is also quoted by Peter on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:27
- They returned home.

Vs 11 – 17

- Mary weeps and discovers two angels in the tomb
- See's Jesus but does not recognize Him – thinks He's the gardener
- Recognizes Jesus when he calls her name
- Rabboni
- Stop clinging to me and go tell the others – do not detail me – I have something I need to do

Road to Emmaus – Luke 24:13-39

Vs 39 Flesh and bones – where is His blood?

John 20: 19-23

- Door shut
- Jesus appears – peace be with you (twice)
- Shows them His hands and His side
- As Father sent Mw, I am sending you – in power of Holy Spirit
- Receive the Holy Spirit – breathed on them – note Genesis 2:7
- Forgiveness of sins only through Christ and the Gospel

Vs 24 – 29 - Thomas

- Thomas was not present
- 8 days later
- Thomas believes
- Blessed are those who believe and yet have not seen (faith)

Vs 30 -31 – ...so that you might believe and have life in His name...