

Connecting Church and Home

Quarter 2, Week 13 :: **The Servant Lives**

Treasure Story: Mark 16:1-8

We all have tasks that we want to finish and finish well. To an outsider, it would seem that Jesus' mission had been extinguished with His death. Jesus was the Son of God, however, and His mission was not yet complete. He rose from the dead to conquer sin and death once and for all.

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"Perhaps the transformation of the disciples of Jesus is the greatest evidence of all for the resurrection."
– John R. W. Stott

The resurrection of Jesus revealed that sin would finally be completely washed away through the blood that He shed. Jesus came to serve those who believed in Him so that they would experience the life God intended for all mankind. Death would not contain the Son of the one true living God. He came, died, and rose from death so that we would could experience life and live it for Him. Let the following suggestions encourage you and your children to experience the power of Christ's resurrection.

- **Go and Tell:** Because of Christ's resurrection and our faith in Him, we have a great story to tell. After Jesus' resurrection, He tells His disciples in the book of Matthew to go and tell all people that He is alive. We are to do the same. How could we keep this great story to ourselves? So many are in need of salvation. Practice telling the story of God's love for us through His Son with each other. Then find ways to tell others of this great love Christ has for everyone.
- **No More Fear:** We have many fears that we struggle with on a daily basis. Some fears are greater than others, but our hope and trust should always be in Christ. The women at the tomb were fearful after speaking with the angel about Jesus' resurrection. If we trust in Christ and His victory over sin and death, we have nothing to fear. Talk about the different fears we have with your family. This week, find ways to conquer those fears through your faith in Jesus. As a family, hold one another accountable and encourage one another in faith.

My Mission As Parent

- Are you ever fearful to share your love for Jesus? The disciples were closer to Jesus than anyone and yet after His death they were fearful and ran away. Because of Jesus' resurrection, we have nothing to fear but have much to share. Begin sharing how Christ raised you from the dead and changed your heart with others in your life.
- Are you serving others because of your faith in Christ? Are you faithfully serving Christ in telling others that Christ is alive? Continue to serve Him as you serve others and continually tell others that Jesus is alive and He loves them. Especially remind your children often that Jesus is alive and loves them.

Prayer Points

- Praise Jesus that He is alive!
- Praise God that He had a plan from the beginning to save His people.
- Pray for those who have not experienced the saving power of God and pray that they would believe soon that Jesus is alive.