

Summit Woods Baptist Church
Sermon Study Equipping Class

John 20 – Resurrection Sunday

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read John 20.

1. In vv. 1-10, how far does Mary go in observing the post-resurrection tomb? What about John (“the other disciple”)? What about Peter?
2. What does this tell us regarding their testimony of what they saw?
3. Why do you think John included the details of v. 7?
4. What was John’s response in v. 8? How does v. 9 fill us in on the thoughts of the disciples?
5. What does the word “must” in v. 9 tell us?

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6. What does Jesus tell Mary to tell the disciples in v. 17? Why is this significant in light of the actions of the disciples leading up to the crucifixion? (see 18:15-18, 25-27 cf. Mark 14:50)

7. Describe what happens in v. 19. What did Jesus say to the disciples? Why did he say this?

8. What is the disciples' response in v. 20?

9. What did Jesus repeat to the disciples in v. 21?

10. What instruction did Jesus give them in v. 21? What was the manner that they were sent? Why is this significant?

11. What did Jesus do in v. 22? What did he tell the disciples in v. 23? What do these things mean?

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❖ Day 2

Read John 20 again.

12. Describe Thomas' reaction to hearing of the resurrection?

13. Describe what happens in v. 26. Why were the disciples still hiding in a locked room even after vv. 22-23?

14. What was the first thing Jesus said to his disciples in v. 26?

15. What was Jesus' admonition to Thomas in v. 27? What does this teach us regarding how we should approach those who don't believe?

16. What was Thomas' response in v. 28? What was Thomas declaring to be true about Jesus here?

17. How did Jesus respond to Thomas' declaration? What does this tell us about what Jesus thought of himself?

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18. How should we think about Jesus in light of this? What does this say about popular, modern thoughts about Jesus?

❖ Day 3

Read John 20 again.

19. What is the hope and blessing in v. 29?

20. Why did John write his gospel according to vv. 30-31? How does this impact you?

21. Have you believed this? Then how can this book help you according to these verses?

22. What is the result of our faith according to v. 31?

23. What does this account teach us about how we should respond to the resurrection?

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24. How does this passage shape your understanding of the resurrection?

25. How does this passage shape your faith in the person of Jesus?

In preparation for Sunday, pray that God would use his Word to open eyes and change hearts. That the unsaved would hear of the death and resurrection of Christ and believe and have life in the name of Jesus. That the saved would be strengthened in their faith.