

### ***Sermon Scripture Passage: John 20:1-18***

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. 2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” 3 So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. 4 Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, 7 and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10 Then the disciples went back to their homes.

11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. 12 And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. 13 They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” 14 Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” 16 Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord” —and that he had said these things to her.

### **Scripture References:**

**Song of Solomon 8:6** – Place me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm; for love is as strong as death, its jealousy unyielding as the grave. It burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame.

**Titus 3:4-6** – But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior,

**I Peter 1:8-9** – Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9 obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. 10 Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, 11 inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories.

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Easter Sunday – John 20:1-18 – John Got There First

*Opening Question: Is love enough to save us from death?*

Palm Sunday Declaration: The King has come to save us!

Because of His Love: God our Father, \_\_\_\_\_ the salvation plan, Jesus by his death, \_\_\_\_\_ it, and the Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ salvation to individuals.

Easter Sunday: God raised Jesus from the grave to declare He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to save us!

John 20:1-18 – How was each disciple different in how they came to believe the Resurrection?

20:1-3 Mary and the other \_\_\_\_\_ found the tomb empty and she ran to tell the men.

There was much confusion because none of the disciples \_\_\_\_\_ it to happen.

20:4-9 John \_\_\_\_\_ into the tomb, but Peter boldly walked in to \_\_\_\_\_ the clothes

Peter was unsure, but John was the first to put the \_\_\_\_\_ together and believe.

*Mark 9:9 Jesus told them he would be raised but they had not \_\_\_\_\_ his meaning.*

20:11-15 Mary returns to the tomb and this time sees two \_\_\_\_\_ waiting there.

Mary fails to recognize Jesus at first because she is looking away and is \_\_\_\_\_

20:16-18 It is when Jesus calls her by \_\_\_\_\_, that she is able to see and believe.

20:17 Jesus had a body and could be \_\_\_\_\_, as he later proves by eating fish.

Jesus would not \_\_\_\_\_ remain in this world but would ascend to the Father

I Peter 1 – Because He is Risen we have a Living \_\_\_\_\_ and Inexpressible \_\_\_\_\_.

*Which disciple's story of coming to believe do you relate to the most?*

*What gives you confidence that Jesus is Risen from the dead?*

Answers for the blanks:

- Engineered
- Enacted
- Imparts
- Power
- Women
- Expected
- Peered
- Examine
- Clues
- Understood
- Angels
- Weeping
- Name
- Touched
- Physically
- Living Hope
- Inexpressible Joy