“Believing Jesus Has Risen from the Dead” **John 20:1-29**

Resurrection Sunday April 9, 2023 Pastor Timothy Atkins

## INTRODUCTION READ John 20:1-18 “He is Risen,He is Risen Indeed”

Different Perspectives of the Empty Tomb Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24

READ Cf. 19:35, 38-42 burial confirms the reality of death

“John writes with exceptional detail and great vividness throughout”

 “The Disappearance of Despair”

What he saw & wants us to see . . .

observing 20:2, 5 [1:14, 29, 38; 11:45] seeing 20:6 [1:34]

 understanding 20:8, 18-29 [John 1:39, 46, 50-51; 4:29, 45; 19:35]

1. Seeing The Stone Taken Away from the Tomb of Jesus 20:1-2

Arriving at the Tomb Where Jesus’ Body Was Buried 20:1a

* first day of the week . . . It Is Sunday!
* “saw **the stone** taken away from **the tomb**” cf. 19:41-42
* repetition of the phrase “the tomb” cf. John 19:41; 20:1,2,3,4,6,8

Announcing to the Disciples that Jesus’ Body Was Gone 20:2

* What was Mary Magdalene’s conclusion? Cf. 20:11-13
* Thinking only what man had done not what God truly Did
1. Seeing The Burial Clothes Lying in The Tomb of Jesus 20:3-10

Arriving at the Tomb Where Jesus’ Body Was Supposed To Be 20:3-5

Approaching the Tomb Where Jesus’ Body Was No Longer 20:6-10

* the presence of linen wrappings but the absence of the body
* “the body, he saw plainly, was gone. But there was something. . .”
* Proclaiming of Jesus’ Words Cf. John 2:22; 10:17-18; 11:25
1. Seeing The Lord Jesus Physically Resurrected from the Dead 20:11-18

“ . . . the tomb . . . where the body of Jesus had been lying . . .”

“ . . . my Lord . . . the Lord . . .” Cf. John 20:20, 25, 28

“[She] came announcing to the disciples, I have seen the Lord . . .”John 20:25

1. Seeing The Lord Jesus Personally Alive Before Them All 20:19-29

verse 19 “Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them . . .”

verse 20 “disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.”

verse 25 “we have seen the Lord!”

verse 29 “because you have seen me, have you believed?”

verse 29 “Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.”READ 20:30-31

CONCLUSION “He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed” Romans 10:9-10

* The resurrection of Jesus from the dead means He lives and therefore intercedes on our behalf-Romans 5:10;6:4;Ephesians 1:19-20;Hebrews 7:25
* The resurrection of Jesus is a historical fact & biblical truth which intersects in the lives of real people in real situations—His Help, Our Hope, The Home
* The resurrection of Jesus means each of us should live as those believing Jesus has risen from the dead “my Lord and My God”
* The resurrection of Jesus means that we announce to others the Gospel message believing Jesus has risen from the dead *Are you believing?*