

Jesus Christ – The Risen King of Kings

Matthew 28:1-20

A. Context: The hour of powerful darkness

1. Jesus, _____ by His own Father, was betrayed, falsely condemned, and cruelly murdered by those whom He had come to _____. (Luke 22-23)
2. Even though Jesus was _____ and His body laid in Joseph's tomb, the Jewish leaders had a guard of Roman soldiers set over the tomb in an attempt to _____ that Jesus would stay dead. (Matthew 27:62-66)

B. The power and glory of Jesus' resurrection _____ both great fear and great joy. v.1-8

1. The appearing and presence of an _____ of God (who cannot even begin to compare to God Himself) was enough to strike _____ into the hearts of the Roman guards.
2. The promise of _____ the Risen Christ caused the women to swiftly obey the angel's command with joyful _____.

C. The resurrection of Jesus Christ _____ one of two responses: Either we _____ His resurrection (and therefore Him) and experience life in Him, or we deny Him and _____ His love. v.9-15

1. The _____ of the women hurrying towards the disciples was superseded by their _____ of the Risen King!
2. While the disciples were beginning to experience _____ in a completely new way, the soldiers and Jewish leaders plunged headlong into propagating their own _____.

D. The cross exhibited Christ's _____ for all and the resurrection demonstrates His _____ over all. v.16-20

1. After _____ the Risen Christ, the disciples were moved to worship; when they _____ who Jesus really is, they were never the same. (Acts 17:1-7)
2. In a similar way, when we _____ the power of Christ's resurrection and _____ to His authority, our lives become more and more about Him and less and less about us. (Colossians 3:1-4)
3. Long live the King! He is risen!

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A. 1-forsaken, saved, 2-dead, verify, B.-evokes, 1-angel, terror, 2-seeing, awe, C.-requires, acknowledge, reject, 1-joy, worship, 2-life, bondage, D.-love, authority, 1-witnessing, understood, 2-experience, submit