

# Morning Lesson

## THE POWER OF THE EMPTY TOMB

John 20:1-10

### INTRO:

1. The power of the cross is verified by the resurrection. **Rom. 1:3, 4**
2. There would be no good news without the resurrection. **1 Cor. 15:1-4**
3. Jesus had taught them that he would not stay in the tomb. **John 2:19-21; John 10:17,18; John 16:16-20; Matt. 12:40**

### I. THE RESURRECTION BROUGHT LIFE CHANGES

- A. The apostles went from men haunted by fear to men of great courage. **Acts 4:13**
- B. Followers were ready to face death themselves because they knew Jesus lived. **Acts 7; Acts 21:13; Acts 12:5, 6**
- C. Even some of those who put Jesus to death were converted. **Acts 2:36-41**

### II. THE RESURRECTION POWER IS AVAILABLE TO US

- A. **Eph. 1:18-22.**
- B. We need to know this power because it is a power that can raise us from the death of sin. **Eph. 2:1**
- C. Our baptism is a partaking of this resurrection power. **Rom. 6:3-5**
- D. This power is what helps us resist the devil. **James 4:7, 8**

### III. THE RESURRECTION SERVES AS A GUARANTEE

- A. **1 Cor. 15:20-26.**
- B. If Christ is not risen then we are wasting our time. **1 Cor. 15:14-19; John 5:28, 29; 1 Cor. 15:23**
- C. Death will be swallowed up in victory. **1 Cor. 15:42-44, 54-57**
- D. **1 Cor. 15:58** is the promise of the resurrection.

### CONC:

1. Have I been raised from the death of sin?
2. Am I ready for the final resurrection?