"What The Resurrection Of Jesus Should Mean To You"

Lesson Text: Matthew 28:1-8.

I. What Jesus Death Meant To His Disciples.

- It Was seemingly A Great Shock And Surprise When Jesus Was Arrested & Crucified.
 - Even Though Jesus Told Them Plainly- Luke 9:22; 22:15; Matthew 26:55-56.
- It Meant Their Master And Teacher Was Taken Away From Them John 18:12-24.
- It Was A Time Of Great Sorrow, Loss, And Unfulfilled Hope Luke 24:13-24.
- They Had Stopped Following Jesus For A Time. Matthew 26:31-35; John 21:3.

II. What Jesus' Resurrection Meant To His Disciples.

- An Empty Tomb They Could See John 20:1-9.
- Their Master Had Returned From The Dead John 20:11-18; 19-20; Acts 1:1-3.
- They Were Witnesses Of A Resurrected, Living Savior. Acts 1:8; 1 Corinthians 15:5-8.
- A Return To The Work Jesus Prepared Them For John 20:24-29; John 21:15-17.
- Strong Persecution From Preaching Jesus' Resurrection Acts 4:1-4.

III. What Jesus' Resurrection Means To Everyone.

- That We Have A Resurrected Savior! Jesus Was The Christ! Matt. 12:38-40; Rom.1:4.
- The Forgiveness Of Sins Is God's Valid Offer To You. 1 Corinthians 15:12-19.
- There Is Life And Hope Beyond The Grave. 1 Corinthians 15:20-26.
- That Salvation Can Only Come From Following Jesus. Luke 18:29-30; Mark 16:16.

IV. What Does It Mean To You?

- 1 Corinthians 15:1-4.
- If We Deny Jesus Was Resurrected From The Dead…. We Deny Truth Of The Gospel!
- If We Stay Away From Jesus, It Doesn't Mean That Much To Us.
- If We Don't Preach It, We Are Neglecting Our Duty!
- But If We Believe The Facts Of The Gospel, Obey The Commands, And Trust In The Promises.... The Resurrection Means Everything To Us!