



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

Christ is Risen!

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(Luke 24:1-12)

¹On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" ⁶He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷"The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again." ⁸Then they remembered his words. ⁹When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹²Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

5 minute video-based family devotion at <https://bit.ly/2Io6De8>

1. **KIDS TOO!** What was your favorite part of celebrating Easter? Do you have a favorite Easter song? Favorite Easter tradition?
2. **KIDS TOO!** After hearing this account, which part of the story are you still thinking about?
3. The women had been to Jesus grave, they were up very early (which refers to a time before sunrise), and they had prepared

spices. What do those details tell you about the condition of these women? (Discussion Starters: What do they look like? What are they saying, if anything? What is on their minds?)

4. The women were not wrong to bring spices to Jesus' tomb. But discuss the difference between how the world deals with death and how Jesus deals with it. How is that same difference true of smaller problems in your life?
5. Of course, you know how this story ends. The irony is thick in Luke 24! Imagine yourself coming alongside those women on their trek to the tomb. Knowing what you know, craft a few sentences of what you might say to them.
6. In what ways are the angels' words different from the words you would have said to those women? What are some ways those differences between their words and yours can add layers to your concept of biblical encouragement?
7. Luke 9:22 "Jesus said, 'The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.'" What are some reasons that the women didn't remember this prophecy?
8. The women found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty. Yet they were not comforted until they heard the angel's reminder. What are some dangers of enjoying good things without remembering they are fulfillments of God's promises?
9. Agree or Disagree: The women had no reason to be sad when they arrived at the tomb.
10. The women were sad because they did not remember Jesus words (cf. question 7). How can the same happen to us?
11. Imagine someone coming alongside you this week (cf. question 5), what might you need them to say to you?
12. Come up with one practical take-away from this Easter story.