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Chapter 27: The Resurrection

Matthew 27 – 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 19 – 21

Introduction:

As we read chapter 27 of *The Story*, we watch the disciples respond with stunned amazement at the resurrection of Jesus. He had told them, repeatedly, that he would die and rise again on the third day. He had assured them that death could not hold him down. But when Jesus popped out of the grave, the disciples were as shocked as a child with a Jack-in-the-Box!

Lesson Breakout:

- Into the Tomb (Matthew 27; John 19)
- Resurrection (Mark 16; John 20)
- Questions and Answers (Luke 24)
- Restored and Commissioned (Matthew 28; John 21)

Plot Points:

- Death is defeated by the resurrection: “Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed!”
- The gospel writers took great pains to demonstrate the historical reality of the resurrection.
- Jesus’ resurrection is the beginning of the fulfillment of God’s promised restoration of all things and the start of a new work of creation.

As you watch the video for Session 27 of *The Story*, notice some of the main points.

- ✓ There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven.
- ✓ When they got there, the stone had already been rolled away from the tomb.
- ✓ They did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.
- ✓ Jesus told us that the table was the place we would capture his presence the best.
- ✓ Jesus is not finished. He is alive.

UNDERSTAND THE STORY:

John 19:

Because the bodies of those crucified should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath, so their legs are broken. When they came to Jesus, he was already dead. A soldier pierces His side, and water and blood came out. (381) [John 19:31-37]

Joseph of Arimathea, a secret disciple of Jesus, asked Pilate if he could take Jesus's body away, and Pilate gave him permission. He and Nicodemus took the body and buried it. (381-382) [John 19:38-42]

Matthew 27:

The chief priests and Pharisees remind Pilate that Jesus said he would rise after three days. To keep the disciples from stealing the body and claiming Jesus had risen from the dead, the tomb is secured with a stone and a guard is set there. (382) [Matthew 27:62-66]

Mark 16:

On Sunday morning, just after sunrise, Mary Magdalene and Mary, mother of James, take spices to the tomb, and discuss who will roll the stone away. (382) [Mark 16:1-3]

Matthew 28:

There is an earthquake; an angel rolls away the stone, and sits on top of it, with a countenance like lightning and clothes as white as snow. The guards are scared and became like dead men. (382-383) [Matthew 28:2-4]

The angel tells the women that Christ has risen and instructs them to tell the disciples. (383) [Matthew 28:5-8]

John 20:

Mary Magdalene runs and tells Peter and the other disciples about it. (NIB) [John 20:1-2]

Peter and John started running toward the tomb together. Who got to the tomb first? (383) [John 20:3-4]

Who went into the tomb first? (383) [John 20:5-6a]

The linen cloths are lying there. The handkerchief (face cloth) was folded and lying separate from the other linen cloths. (383) [John 20:6b-7]

John goes into the tomb, saw and believed. Then both men go to their own homes. (383) [John 20:8-9]

Mary, stricken with grief, stooped down and looked into the tomb. She sees two angels dressed in white in the empty tomb. She sees Jesus standing outside the tomb but did not know that it was him. Jesus asks why she is weeping. (383-384) [John 20:11-15]

Who did Mary think Jesus was? (383-384) [John 20:15b]

When did Mary realize she was talking to the risen Christ? (384) [John 20:16]

Jesus tells Mary not to cling to him but go tell the others she had seen the Lord.
(384) [John 20:17-18]

Luke 24:

Jesus joins two disciples on the way to Emmaus but they did not recognize him. They had a long conversation with Jesus and He went to stay with them.
(384-385) [Luke 24:13-29]

What event happened that made the Disciples realize who Jesus was? (385) [Luke 24:30-31a]

Once their “eyes were opened” and they knew Him, what happened? (385) [Luke 24:31b]

The Disciples return to Jerusalem and tell the other eleven the Lord is risen.
(385) [Luke 24:33-35]

Jesus appears to the other disciples, and they were frightened. (385) [Luke 24:36-39]

Jesus showed them His hands and His feet and ate some broiled fish and honeycomb.
(385) [Luke 24:40-43]

Jesus reminds them the words which He had spoken to them so all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms.
(385) [Luke 24:44-45]

Jesus explains that his suffering was necessary, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.
(386) [Luke 24:46-49]

John 20:

Jesus convinces the previously absent and “doubting” disciple, Thomas, by inviting him to push his finger into his wound. (386) [John 20:24-29]

John 21:

Peter and six other disciples return to fishing but caught nothing. (386) [John 21:1-3]

Jesus showed Himself to His disciples for the third time, whereupon they catch a miraculous number of fish. (387-388) [John 21:4-14]

Jesus has breakfast with them. Jesus asks Peter three times if he loved Him (Jesus). Each time Peter said he did. Jesus tells Peter to: “Feed My lambs”, “Tend My sheep”, and “Follow Me”. (387-388) [John 21:15-19]

Matthew 28:

The Great Commission: Jesus tells his disciples to make disciples of all nations and He is with us to the end of the age. (388) [Matthew 28:16-20]

Luke 24:

Jesus ascends to heaven. (NIB) [Luke 24:50-53]

John 21:

In writing this gospel, if John had written everything that Jesus had done, the whole world could not contain the books that they would need to be written in. (388) [John 21:25]

John 20:

Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book. These are written so we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing we may have life in His name. (NIB - 388) [John 20:30-31]

Up to this point in history it could be said, “Out of death comes death.”

Now a new message rings loud and clear, “Out of death comes life!”

~~ Randy Frazee

Next week we’ll look at the story of the beginning of the church and how rapidly God expanded it in its early days. Read Lesson 28 of *The Story* before next week.

“New Beginnings”: Acts 1 – 10; 12