

## **WITNESSES TO THE RESURRECTION (Mk. 16:1-8)**

**July 13, 2025**

**TEXT—Mk. 16:1-8**

**MAIN IDEA—**Because of the resurrection of Christ believers throughout all ages are filled with eternal hope beyond the grave.

**THE EMPTY TOMB (Mk. 16:1-4)—**All four gospel writers testify of the reality of the resurrection of Christ. They don't spend time trying to explain HOW the resurrection happened. They simply focus on the fact that the resurrection DID happen.

**Mk. 15:46-47**

**Mt. 27:62-66**

**Mt.28:2-4**

**THE ANGELS (Mk. 16:5-6)—**To the shock of these women the stone was rolled away and as they entered the tomb, they encountered a young man already in the tomb. This was an angel from God

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sent to declare and confirm the reality of the resurrection of Christ.

**Lk. 24:5**

**Jn. 20:6-7**

**THE EYEWITNESSES (Mk. 16:7-8)**—Eyewitness testimonies of those who personally encountered the Risen Christ are irrefutable statements that Jesus is alive. The Angel commissioned these women to tell ‘the disciples and Peter’ that Jesus will meet them in Galilee just like He promised.

**1 Jn.1:8-9**

**Lk.24:8-9**

Here is a shortlist of those whom Jesus appeared to after the Resurrection: Mary Magdalene (**Jn.20:11-18**); Peter (**Lk.24:34**); the 2 disciples on the road to Emmaus (**Lk.24:15**); the Apostles in the upper room (**Jn. 20:19**); and to the 11

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Apostles on the Mt. of Olives prior to His ascension (**Acts 1:4-11**).

**1 Cor. 15:1-10**

**1 Thess.4:13-18**

**D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones declared to His congregation on one Easter Sunday morning (1899-1981) --*This morning as I look over this evil, sinful world it does not depress me, because I expect from it nothing better. Whatever may be going against me, whatever may be happening in my own body, this is what I must expect, because of sin. But though I die, I shall rise again. I shall see Him face to face. I shall see Him as He is, and I shall be like Him, like Him in a body glorified, with every power renewed. And I shall be living in a realm that is incorruptible and undefiled, a realm that can never fade away...That is the living hope of the Resurrection. That is the***

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***message of this Easter morning. And hope is absolutely safe and secure. The Resurrection itself guarantees it all. Every enemy has been destroyed. Christ has conquered them every one.***

**Because Christ is risen:**

**\*We should repent and believe the Gospel.**

**\*Our faith is not in vain (so live for His glory because everything matters).**

**\*There is a Heaven to gain and a Hell to avoid for all who trust in Christ alone.**

**\*We should tell others about Christ so that they can hear & come to Christ.**

**1 Cor.15:57-58**