



## DISCOVERING JESUS | JOHN 20

**CONTEXT:** *Our view is NOT God's view*

- The view from below – \_\_\_\_\_
- The view from above – \_\_\_\_\_

### JOHN 20:11-28

*<sup>11</sup>Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb <sup>12</sup>and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. <sup>13</sup>They asked her, "Woman, why "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." <sup>14</sup>At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher") . . . <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her. <sup>19</sup>On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." <sup>24</sup>Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"*



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# WHEN THEY DISCOVERED JESUS WAS ALIVE...

## 1 MARY OVERCAME \_\_\_\_\_

"He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'" (v. 15)

### Luke 8:1-3 – Why did Mary GRIEVE?

- She lost her liberator – His power freed her from darkness
- She lost her teacher – His truth freed her from deception
- She lost her purpose – His life gave her direction

The Resurrection means \_\_\_\_\_

## 2 THE DISCIPLES OVERCAME \_\_\_\_\_

"On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!'" (v. 19)

 "Peace comes not from the absence of trouble but from the presence of God."  
- ALEXANDER MACLAREN

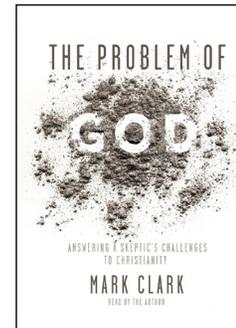
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## 3 THOMAS OVERCAME \_\_\_\_\_

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'" (v. 27)

### 3 Reasons to believe in the Resurrection:

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The Resurrection means \_\_\_\_\_

Final Thought: \_\_\_\_\_

"Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" (v. 29)