



Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter - Resurrection Sunday

Title: Hope Realized

Text: Luke 24:13-35

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Big Idea: To take the resurrection of Jesus casually causes us to miss the obvious point of having a personal belief in a Holy God that graciously restores eternal hope to hopeless sinners.

1) The heart-broken response to hopelessness: (Luke 24:13-16 / Luke 24:51)

Faith, belief and personal commitment to Christ are best based on God working through His truth and not just on our feelings.

2) The heart-hearing response to hope: (Luke 24:17-27 / 1 Corinthians 1:18)

Living with hope only in the “past tense” always leads to despondency.

A close encounter with Jesus requires a close encounter with the Word of God that teaches the necessity of the cross.

3) The heart-reviving response to the restoration of hope: (Luke 24:28-35)

It is more important to see Christ with the eyes of our faith than it is to see Him with the eyes of our head.

Jesus’ death and resurrection are more than a “story” they are the foundational elements of God’s plan to restore my hope for all eternity!

Study/Application Questions and Actions:

1) Share about a time when you, took casually, the power of the resurrection. What are some indicators that you may be too casual about this truth?

2) We live in an age of despondency. How can this depressing reality also become a first step for someone being prepared to find Biblical hope?

3) Read Luke 24:27. What might be some specific Bible truths and verses that Jesus would have shared as he talked about the Messiah? Why do many people still stumble over the necessity for Jesus’ death on the cross?

4) Read Luke 24:32. What do you think it means to “have hearts that burn” after hearing the Word? How can the truths of Easter have a lasting effect on the rest of the year?