

 Bible Study Lesson: He Is Risen! - 04022026

 Focal Scripture (NIV – Luke 24:1–12)

1 On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

3 but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

4 While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.

5 In 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?”

6 He 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 over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.”

8 Then they remembered his words.

9 When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others.

10 It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles.

11 But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense.

12 Peter, 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.

 Lesson Objectives

- Understand the significance of the resurrection as the foundation of Christian faith.
- Reflect on the role of the women as the first witnesses of the empty tomb.
- Recognize the importance of remembering Jesus’ words and promises.
- Explore the disciples’ initial doubt and Peter’s response of seeking truth.

- Prepare hearts for Sunday School lessons on 1 Corinthians 15:13–20, 51–58, which emphasize the resurrection’s victory over death.

Verse Breakdown and Insights

- Verses 1–3: The women’s devotion leads them to the tomb, but they find it empty—God’s power has acted.
- Verses 4–7: Angels announce the resurrection, reminding them of Jesus’ prophecy. The resurrection fulfills God’s plan.
- Verse 8: Remembering Jesus’ words strengthens faith—memory of His promises brings clarity.
- Verses 9–10: Women are the first messengers of the resurrection, showing God values all voices in His mission.
- Verses 11–12: The apostles initially doubt, but Peter investigates—faith often begins with seeking and questioning.

Discussion Questions

1. Why is it significant that women were the first witnesses of the resurrection?
2. How does remembering Jesus’ words strengthen our faith today?
3. Why do you think the apostles struggled to believe the women’s testimony?
4. What can Peter’s response teach us about seeking truth when we face doubt?
5. How does this passage prepare us to understand Paul’s teaching on resurrection in 1 Corinthians 15?

Memory Verse

Luke 24:6 (NIV): He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee:

Why This Lesson Prepares Us for 1 Corinthians 15:13–20, 51–58

- 1 Corinthians 15:13–20: Paul teaches that without the resurrection, faith is futile. Luke 24 shows the historical event that grounds this truth.
- 1 Corinthians 15:51–58: Paul proclaims victory over death through resurrection. Luke 24 demonstrates that Jesus’ resurrection is the firstfruits of this victory.

- Together, these passages affirm that the resurrection is central to Christian hope, faith, and eternal life.

Closing Prayer

Lord God, we thank You for the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the foundation of our faith and hope. Help us to remember His words, to trust His promises, and to proclaim the good news with boldness. Strengthen us when we doubt, and remind us that in Christ, death has been defeated. May our lives reflect the joy of the risen Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Fill-in-the-Blank Worksheet (Participant Version)

Bible Study Worksheet: Luke 24:1–12 (NIV)

Focus Scripture

“Why do you look for the _____ among the _____? He is not here; he has _____!” (v.5–6)

“Then they _____ his words.” (v.8)

“Peter, however, got up and _____ to the tomb.” (v.12)

Lesson Objectives

1. Understand the significance of the _____ as the foundation of Christian faith.
2. Reflect on the role of the _____ as the first witnesses.
3. Recognize the importance of remembering Jesus’ _____.
4. Explore the disciples’ initial _____ and Peter’s response.

Verse Breakdown

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Discussion Questions

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Memory Verse

Fill in the blanks:

“He is not _____; he has _____!” (Luke 24:6)

Connection to 1 Corinthians 15

- 1 Corinthians 15: Without the _____, faith is futile.
- 1 Corinthians 15: Victory over _____ comes through resurrection.
- Luke 24: Jesus’ resurrection is the _____ of this victory.