

MARCH 31, 2024 HE IS RISEN! MATTHEW 28:1-10

Introduction

Looking at the Tomb

Looking for God Big Idea: When you cannot fathom what God is up to, keep looking at Him.

Conclusion

A disciple of Jesus is someone who is **following** Jesus, is being **changed** by Jesus, and is **committed** to the **mission** of Jesus. (Matthew 4:19)



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Reflection Questions for Groups or Individuals:

- 1. Have you ever experienced a time when it felt like all was lost, but then things worked out? Share those stories.
- 2. We said that the Marys just keep watching Jesus, just kept looking at Him. What kinds of spiritual rhythms do you have in place that help you keep your eyes on Jesus?
- 3. Is there a situation in your life right now where you are having a hard time seeing what God is up to?
- 4. How does looking at how God has been faithful in the past help you trust Him with this current situation?
- 5. Is there any habit you need to form that will help you be on the lookout for what God is up to, and keep your eyes on Him?
- 6. Is there a Bible verse that contains a promise from God that might encourage you in the midst of your current situation? Where could you place that as a reminder?
- 7. Close your group by praying for each other's difficult situations, encouraging each other with God's promises, and asking God to help you all keep your eyes on Him.

Discovery Bible Study Method for Groups or Individuals

(for more information on this method of Bible study- see https://www.dbsguide.org/)

1. Talk: To begin the study, each person answers these questions:

- What are you thankful for?
- What is causing you stress?
- Who needs our help? How can this group help them?

2. Look Back (session 2+)

- Retell story from the previous meeting.
- What did you do differently because of this story?
- Who did you tell and what was the reaction?

3. Read & Re-tell

- One person reads the Bible passage out loud, and the rest follow along.
- Someone else retells the passage by memory, if possible. Others can fill in what is missing.

4. Look

- Read the passage again.
- Discuss what this passage says about God, Jesus or his plan.

5. Look again

- Read the passage once more
- Discuss what this passage says about humans
- Discuss what this passage says about being a disciple of Jesus

6. Inside me

- According to this study, what am I doing well?
- What do I need to change?

7. Who else?

- Who needs to hear this story?
- How can I tell them?
- Who can I invite to study the Bible?



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