

Sermon Questions Easter Sunday

Matthew 28:1-10

1. Describe your favorite memories of Easter morning.
2. We tend to make a bigger deal of Christmas than Easter, but the Bible makes a bigger deal of Easter than Christmas. Why do you think that is?
3. Why do you think the women were frightened when they first encountered the risen Jesus?
4. Pastor Mark encouraged members of the congregation to do some research into the historical evidence that supports the claim that Jesus rose from the dead. Why is that kind of personal research important for a Christian or anyone interested in understanding the resurrection?
5. In what way does the resurrection of Jesus validate his teachings and verify his identity?
6. In a time when many people think it is okay to simply think of the resurrection story as a myth or metaphor, but not an historical event, why should Christians continue to believe in the resurrection as an actual event that took place in history?
7. Pastor Mark suggests that if the resurrection of Jesus didn't really happen, Christianity would have never survived for even a month. Do you agree or disagree, why or why not?
8. How does the name "Christian" impact your identity as a person?
9. How does your Christian faith give you confidence for dealing with this current life?
10. How does your Christian faith give you confidence for facing the inevitability of physical death?