**4/9/23 Resurrection Sunday; The Full Picture of The Resurrection**

**1 Corinthians 15; Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 23:55–24:1; John 20**

* Early on Sunday morning God raised Jesus from the dead with all Power!
* Without the Resurrection, Good Friday is incomplete, but without Good Friday the Resurrection is powerless to save.

**Matthew 5:44; 22:37-39**

**1. Jesus never leaves anything to speculation!**

* Jesus had taught His disciples everything that they needed to know in the three years they had been with Him.
* People will either have a close and personal relationship with Jesus, a distant relationship, or have no relationship at all with Him.
* Jesus asked His disciples two questions to gauge their and others understanding of who He is.
* Jesus talked to His disciples openly about the religious leaders’ plans for Him.

**Mark 8:27-34; Matthew 16:16-19; 1 Corinthians 15:55**

**2. Everything culminates in one week’s time!**

* There was no doubt that Jesus was the Promised Messiah according to Scripture.
* Jesus’ disciples disserted Him when trouble crossed their paths, and the religious leaders plotted to kill Him.
* The crowd that cheered for Him when He entered town, turned against Him.
* Jesus is crucified on an old rugged cross on a hill called Calvary.

Matthew 21:1-11, 26:15-16, 74-75; John 19:17-37

**3. God does not rule by popular opinion!**

* God breaks down barriers that society puts up, when He put women front and center on Resurrection Sunday.
* The angels at the empty tomb remind the women of Christ’s prediction of both His death and resurrection.
* Christ died for our sins, was buried, and was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said.
* Calvary was God’s way of demonstrating that He would keep His Word to us, as well as Jesus proving to us that He had the power over death.

**Mark 16; John 20, 14:6;** **Luke 9:22; 18:31–33; 24:6-8; 1 Cor 15:3-4,13-17**