

Royal Redeemer Going Deeper Guide

Based on the sermon for April 9, 2023:
Eyes On Jesus: Eyes of Faith

For personal reflection or for use as a devotion with
CGS Community or family



- **Begin by reflecting on/sharing a high and/or a low from your week**

- **CONNECT** *with each other*

- It's Easter! How did your family celebrate Easter growing up? What about now, do you have any special traditions to mark this special day?

- **GROW** *in Christ*

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.

Luke 24:1-9

- Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
- While the women's desire to anoint Jesus' body for burial was loving and well intentioned, why was this task unnecessary? See Mark 14:3, 6–9, 28.
- Read Mark 15:46–47. What is striking about the pronoun used to describe Jesus' body that was laid in the tomb? What does this indicate about our future in heaven? Why is it so important that witnesses saw Jesus buried? See 1 Corinthians 15:3–4.
- What words in Mark 15:34 indicate that Jesus never lost hope in His Father but was confident that He would be raised on the third day? How does His invocation of Psalm 22:1 help us understand this? See Psalm 22:9–11, 22–24.
- Read the beginning of Peter's Pentecost Day sermon in Acts 2:22–32. Why was it impossible for the body of Jesus to decay, even though He was truly dead and buried?
- What does 1 Corinthians 15:14–21 say would be the case for Christians if Christ's bodily resurrection from the tomb were just another myth?
- How is the women's reaction to the angel's message similar to our own experience as we face the troubles and changes of this life? How do 2 Corinthians 4:13–18 and John 20:29–31 provide

us with encouragement?

- o How does the resurrection of Christ's body from the tomb change the way we view the Sacrament of the Altar? See Mark 14:22–24 and 1 Corinthians 10:16–17.
- o How does St. Paul describe our “final victory” in 1 Corinthians 15:51–58?

- **SERVE** *others*

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- **End with Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, or a short Blessing.**