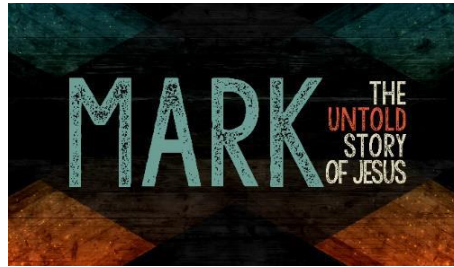


Series - Mark: The Untold Story of Jesus

Week 27: Resurrection Day

Passage: Mark 16:1-8



Conversation Starter:

Think about a time someone tried to make you believe an absurd story that turned out to be true. What convinced you?

Read Mark 16:1-8

Early in the morning the women went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. At some point they realized there would be a large stone in the way (v3). *What would have been your response if you had this realization somewhere along the way? How does your faith affect your sense of reality and how does your reality affect your faith?*

What the women found turned their expectations upside down; **Nobody expected no body**. There was no body, but there was a glimmer of hope found in an angel (angel means; messenger of God). *What did the angel say to them (v.6-7)? Why was it significant?*

Paul later wrote about the resurrection in **1 Corinthians 15:3-6**. *How does Paul back up what Mark wrote?*

Mark 16:7 contains a directive and a response in faith. *What is the directive and response in faith? How are you being called to respond in faith?*

The end of Mark ends abruptly. Morna Hooker in her book, *Endings*, writes, "Mark's Gospel opened with the words 'The *beginning* of the good news about Jesus Christ'; if the ending to his book is suspended, that is perhaps because the story is still being told in the lives of believers." *How can we, as his family, still be telling Jesus' story today?*

Close your time in prayer.

Resources to dig deeper:

Endings, by Morna Hooker