



Smith Rock  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

**Easter**  
SUNDAY

Study Guide

For the week of  
**4th April 2021**  
**“Resurrection”**



# Resurrection

John 20:1- or page 852 in a church bible.

## Main points

### 1. P \_\_\_\_\_ Resurrection

*3 Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you.*

*2 Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. 3 For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— 4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. 7 But whatever gain*

*I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.*

Philippians 3:1–7 (ESV)

## **2. P \_\_\_\_\_ Resurrection**

*8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.*

Philippians 3:8–11 (ESV)

## **3. F \_\_\_\_\_ Resurrection**

*12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained.*

Philippians 3:12–16 (ESV)

# WHAT NEXT?



**What have you heard God say to you this morning and what are you going to do with what you heard?**

**What was the main point of the sermon?**

**What stood out for you in this text.**

**What is one thing you are going to do with what you  
heard this next week**

*Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. 2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." 3 So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. 4 Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, 7 and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10 Then the disciples went back to their homes.*

*11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. 12 And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. 13 They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." 14 Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom*

are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” 16 Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her. 19 On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” 20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

John 20:1–23 (ESV)

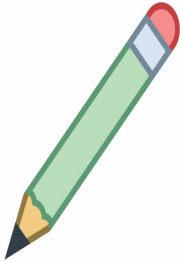
# Sermon notes

*for kids*

Favourite song today



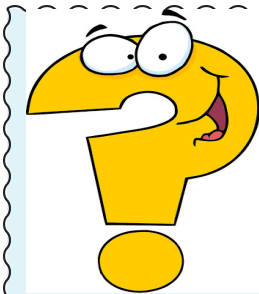
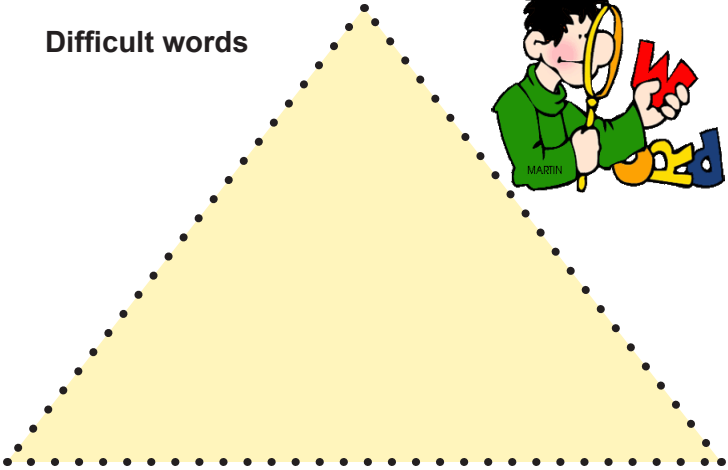
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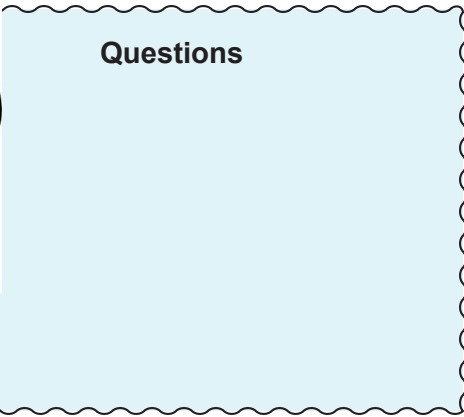


NAME OF THE BOOK

Difficult words



Questions



Today I learned

Four horizontal lines for writing, set within a light orange rectangular background.



**Further study for *Groups and individuals***

**Review**

Look back at last week's sermon notes and take a moment to review what you wrote you were going to take action on.

How did it go? \_\_\_\_\_

What did you learn? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever run aground somewhere, either physically or metaphorically? \_\_\_\_\_

What was it like when you were waiting to be refloated? \_\_\_\_

How do you think it must have been for Jesus' followers for the two days following His crucifixion and death? \_\_\_\_\_

As Mary made her way to the tomb what do you think she expected to find? \_\_\_\_\_

In verse one John tells us it was still dark when she went and she saw the stone was rolled away. There is no mention of her going into the tomb, but she immediately runs to tell Peter and John someone has taken his body.

Have you ever made assumptions based on evidence you saw in the dark? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you think Peter and John ran to the tomb, because they didn't believe Mary or because they wanted to see for themselves? \_\_\_\_\_

Although John outruns Peter he stops at the entrance to the tomb, but Peter arrives and goes straight in. How is this true to what you know of Peter's character? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the proof that actually the tomb is not a victim of grave robbers? \_\_\_\_\_

John says he saw and believed, but then qualifies it by saying that as of yet they did not understand the scriptures that He must rise from the dead. What do you think he believed? \_\_\_\_\_

Paul writing to the Corinthians says;

*12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. 14 And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. 15 We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.*

1 Corinthians 15:12–19 (ESV)

As Christians we focus a lot on the cross and the payment of our sins, but why is the resurrection of at least equal importance? \_\_\_\_\_

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How could we focus on the resurrection more? \_\_\_\_\_

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What kept Mary from seeing the resurrected Lord and what keeps Him out our vision today? \_\_\_\_\_

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*21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."*

Revelation 21:1–4 (ESV)

Describe your hope for the coming resurrection. \_\_\_\_\_

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If we really believe Jesus has been resurrected from the grave, and we are being saved right now so He can resurrect us in the future how should change our focus in life and what we want to tell people? \_\_\_\_\_

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