

He is Risen! You Can Have Abundant Life!
Running From the Empty Tomb!
Mark 16:1-8
April 20, 2025 – Easter Sunday

"Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they said among themselves, 'Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?'" "But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away-- for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples-- and Peter-- that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.' So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." (Mark 16:1-8; NKJ)

I. Ancient Ideas About the Afterlife.

- 1. The idea of _____.**
(Acts 23:8; Acts 17:32)
- 2. The idea of the _____**
(Job 10:21-22)
- 3. The idea of the _____ life.**
(Job 19:25-26)

"The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows)." (John 10:10; AMP)

II. What "_____" Means for You in _____!

1. Because Jesus lives, _____ in the resurrection!

"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also." (John 14:18-19; NKJ)

2. Because Jesus lives, _____ in the resurrection!

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." (John 14:1-3; NKJ)

3. Because Jesus lives, _____ in the resurrection!

"Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." (1 John 3:2; NKJ)

III. What Abundant Life Means for You _____!

1. Because Jesus lives, you can have the _____ now!

"The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows)." (John 10:10; AMP)

2. Because Jesus lives, you can have Christ's _____ now!

"Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.'" (Hebrews 13:5; NIV)

3. Because Jesus lives, you can have Christ's _____ now!

"So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image." (2 Corinthians 3:18; NLT)