

JESUS HAS RISEN

LUKE 24: 1-12

Introduction

Death and resurrection of Jesus are significant events in Christian life. They show us that what looked like the end was actually a new beginning. The cross speaks of forgiveness, and the empty tomb speaks of victory.

Death and suffering of Jesus

- Jesus suffered because of **our sin and died for us** on the Cross.
 - 1 Peter 2:24 “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.”
- This was a great sacrifice and showed **his love** to us. He demonstrated his love for us.
 - **Romans 5: 8** “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
 - Sometimes we speak of love, but do we demonstrate it? How do we demonstrate love to one another as Christians?
- We are **saved by God’s grace** through Christ who died on the Cross.
 - **Ephesians 2:8–9** For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God not by works, so that no one can boast
- When Jesus died hope seemed lost but **God works when all seems lost.**

The empty tomb-Jesus has Risen

Luke 24: 1-3 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. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

This story shows us how things can change in a beautiful way: -

- from being very sad to feeling hopeful,
- from not understanding to believing (Luke 24: 6), and
- from being quiet to sharing the good news with others (Luke 24: 9)

Lessons from this story

1. **God removes the impossible** (Luke 1:37, Philippians 4:13)

Luke 24:2 – “They found the stone rolled away from the tomb.”

- The women were worried, but God had already taken care of the problem.
- People could not move the heavy stone, but God did it!
- God’s power is already working for us, even before we see it.

Luke 1:37 “For no word from God will ever fail.”

Sometimes we feel scared or think things will go wrong, but God is already helping us, even if we cannot see it for nothing is impossible with God.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

2. True life is found only in the risen Christ (Romans 6:8-11, John 14:6),

Luke 24:5-6 – “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!”

- Jesus is alive and cannot be trapped by mistakes or death.
- Hope is not in things that are gone or dead.
- Jesus gives real life and joy.

Verses:

- **John 10:10** – “I have come so they may have life, and have it in full.”
- **Romans 6:8-11** – We are alive in Christ.

Sometimes we try to find happiness in money, popularity, or things we own, but only Jesus gives us true joy and life. Only Jesus can give us real life and joy.

3. The Resurrection brings new life/hope (John 11:25-26, 1 Peter 1:3, Romans 8:11)

Romans 8:11 “Since Christ was raised from the dead, we too may live a new life. Be alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

- We can start fresh and have a new beginning.
- Sadness, fear, and worries don’t have to control us.
- Everyone who believes in Jesus can have new life.

John 11:25-26, 1 Peter 1:3

1 Peter 1:3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Because Jesus is alive, we can be **happy and full of hope**

4. Let’s be witness of the word of God (Acts 1: 8, Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:19-20)

- The first people to see Jesus alive were the women.
- They ran to tell the disciples the good news.
- When we see Jesus do amazing things, we should tell others too.
- Even if people don’t believe us, we must share the news about Jesus.

Mark 16:15 He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

Conclusion

- God's love is greater than sin, suffering, and even death.
- Because Jesus died and rose again, we have:
 - Hope
 - New life
 - A bright future with Him
- Tell everyone about Jesus and help them know His love.
- **Jesus is alive!** He brings joy, life, and victory for everyone who believe. **Do you believe?**