

10. What is the end for all believers?

11. How do false expectations, ego-centered plans, and lies affect you in your faith, especially as it relates to the Resurrection.

12. Are there any other comments or lessons from the message you want to discuss?

Response – Making it Practical

1. What issues does this passage raise that are still issues today?

2. How can we build into our lives the truths in this portion of Scripture?

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Scandal – Part 3/4

Matthew 28:11-15

Life Group Study Notes

Study based on Matthew 28:11-15 - April 16, 2017

What do expectations, making egocentric plans, and fear all have in common? They can blind us to seeing God and what He's doing all around us.

The final week of Jesus' life is filled with people missing God and the same problem continues to this day.



In this message, we discuss how the trial of Jesus really hasn't ended. He is on trial in the hearts and minds of every person who does not acknowledge his claims, all made real by the power of His Resurrection.

Study – Discovering What the Bible Says

1. In last week's study, what stood out the most for you?
2. How do the stories of the religious leaders and their disbelief in Jesus mirror present day attitudes towards Him?

Read Matthew 28:11-15

3. Why is the mention of the women important to the story of the Resurrection?

4. From verses 11-15, what are all the logical holes in the scheme devised by the religious leaders to cover-up the Resurrection?
5. What do you believe was the primary motivation of the authorities to dis-credit Jesus in any way humanly possible?
6. We know from Scripture that the events of Easter were fully orchestrated by God. How then do we come to understand the sovereignty of God and the free choices people make?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:14-18

7. How important is the Resurrection? Depending on your answer, does it receive the kind of attention it deserves?
8. How dramatic is the language used by Paul in these verses?
9. What are the two issues that the Resurrection forces us to acknowledge?