## The LORD Is Risen!

He Is Risen Indeed!

# MarksNotes

# On JESUS

## **Trusting God For The Impossible**

Mark 16:1-8

#### You Can't Have Resurrection Without Death

- We love the joy of resurrection
- We resist the pain and suffering of death

"Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?" Job 2:10

## You Have To Trust God For The Impossible BEFORE You See It!

- Asked BECAUSE they knew it was impossible for them
- Asked WHILE they were on their way
- Asked with ALL they needed to prepare the body
- Asked TRUSTING they would find a way

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

**Heb 11:1** 

## What Is Impossible For You Is Nothing For God

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe <u>sitting on the right side</u>, and they were alarmed. "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him.

Mark 16:5-6

### The Resurrection Is The Heart Of The Gospel

"For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve...and if Christ is not risen your faith is futile you are still dead in your sin."

1 Cor 15:3-5;17

## Accept That You Don't Always Get The Impossible In Your Timing

**Holy Saturday** 

The older I get the more I need Holy Saturday. It used to simply be the day between Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

But now it's the day for those of us still waiting. It's the day for those of us who didn't get the miracle, who live in the space between Now and Not Yet. It's the day for the company of those with unanswered prayers and broken hearts and realities different than what was advertised.

God waits in our Saturdays with us.

Love is here in our Saturdays of grief, loneliness, anger, and loss, with infinite tenderness and unconditional love and sufficient grace and holy presence. Your Saturday is real. Just because Easter is coming eventually doesn't mean that this doesn't matter.

May you know and experience the love of God in the Saturdays of what we hope is an in between.

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## Today...

Pray to know Christ

Pray for YOUR impossible