

The Disciples: From Fear to Peace

I Witness: Encounters with the Risen Lord

Passage: John 20:19-22

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II. His Peace Brings Purpose and Power (v. 20-21)

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IV. Conclusion:

Christ is always with us, and we have His peace, purpose, and power to fulfill His mission.

SMALL GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What stands out to you most in John 20:19-23?
2. How is Jesus' peace different from the world's peace?
3. In what ways do people today respond to fear similarly to the disciples?
4. What are some modern examples of "locked rooms" in our lives?
5. What does it mean that Jesus sends us as the Father sent Him?

PERSONAL REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Where do I feel most anxious or uncertain right now?
2. What "locked rooms" exist in my heart that I have not opened to Jesus?
3. How do I usually respond when I feel afraid—trust God or try to control the situation?
4. Do I truly believe Jesus can meet me in my fear? Why or why not?
5. How have I experienced the Spirit's power, love, or self-control recently?

FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE

1. Why were the disciples afraid?
2. What did Jesus say to them when He appeared?
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4. How can our family trust Jesus more this week?
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