Matthew 28:1–10 April 8th, 2023 Easter Sunday

Sermon Conversation Guide

NOTES:

Sermon: Do Not Be Afraid

- 1) What Happened at that Tomb? (1–4)
- 2) Where Had Jesus Gone? (5–8)
- 3) What is our Response? (9–10)

Questions for Discussion:

- What things stood out to you from today's passage?
- What things did you find challenging or confusing?
- How does understanding the heaviness of Good Friday help us appreciate the joy of Easter Sunday?
- Why do Mary & Mary react differently than the Roman soldiers at the empty tomb?
- Why are the women told twice to "not be afraid?" How should Christians maintain a healthy "fear of the Lord" and yet "not be afraid" of the fears of this world? How does this help us approach God with confidence?
- What can we see in the reaction of Mary & Mary to the good news of the empty grave? How do they respond, and how is this instructive for how we should respond?

Key Words & Concepts:

"He is Risen!" /
"He is Risen Indeed!"