



JESUS FOR EVERYONE

*THE BOOK of LUKE*

*Sermon Title*

*Scripture Verse*

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**4** But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. **5** As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.



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**<sup>8</sup> Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.**



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- **Easter is all about hope.**
  - **A confident expectation that God has, is and will work for your best.**
- **By faith we believe in Jesus- faith and hope work together!**



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- **Why is there so much hopelessness?**
- **“The great enemies of hope are presumption and despair.”**
- **Presumption- life “should be” better/different  
despair- what happens when there seems to be no help?**
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- **Easter is rooted in facts.**
- **4 facts about Easter historians agree on:\**
  - 1. Jesus was buried by Joseph of Arimethea in a tomb.**
  - 2. There was and is an empty tomb.**
  - 3. 500+ records of seeing, handling, talking to, interacting with Jesus post death.**
  - 4. The radical change of former enemies of Jesus and horrible people.**
    - **The best explanation of these facts is that Jesus rose from the dead.**



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- **Easter celebrates the historical resurrection of Jesus:**
  - 1. Facts are vitally important.**
  - 2. Facts matter to God.**
  - 3. Facts do not equal faith.**



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## 1 Peter 1:3 NIV

**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,**



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- **Easter hope heals our past.**
- **Why does this Scripture say we are born again?**
  - **Because our natural condition is that we are sinners who are good at and love to sin.**
  - **We find that our wanters, desires, thoughts, deepest motivations and loves need to be transformed.**
- **Easter hope means we can be completely different from anything we've ever been- our pasts can be healed!**



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- **Easter hope fuels our today.**
- **It's a living hope- a confident expectation that God has, is and will work for your best.**
- **On the worst days of your life, because of the resurrection you can have a living hope! vv. 6-8**



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- **Easter hope insures our future.**
- **For those who have trusted in Jesus, when we die- God gives us an inheritance!**
- **What is our future like when we trust in Jesus?**
  - **Removal of any hint of sin.**
  - **A place to live with God forever.**
  - **The satisfaction of our souls.**
  - **And this inheritance is protected by God- its ours forever through Christ!**



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- **We need Easter hope, but none of it matters without the resurrection of Jesus!**
- **The next time life is dark, sadness seems like too much- think about the empty tomb.**



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