MY LORD AND MY GOD

John 20:19-31

Key Verse: 27, 28

1. When and where did the risen Jesus appear to his disciples? (19) What did he say to the disciples? Why did they need to hear his words?

2. Why did Jesus show the disciples his hands and side? (20) How was the atmosphere of the room changed? What mission did he give the disciples? (21) How did he equip them for the task? (21-22) How is forgiveness related to their mission? (23)

3. How did Thomas who missed to see the risen Jesus respond to the news of Jesus’ resurrection? (24-25) What is the problem that Thomas’ attitude exposes? How did Jesus help Thomas? (26-29) What was Thomas’ confession? In what way is this fitting climax to John’s gospel?

4. What blessing does Jesus give to us who have not seen Jesus with physical eyes, but have read this book and believed in Jesus? (29) What was John’s purpose in writing this Gospel? (30-31) Why must our faith be based on Scripture rather than on physical/material things?

Discussion: How do you overcome your doubt and have faith in Jesus? Have you experienced Peace from the risen Jesus? How can we cooperate with the Holy Spirit and risk, break barriers, and step out for Jesus?