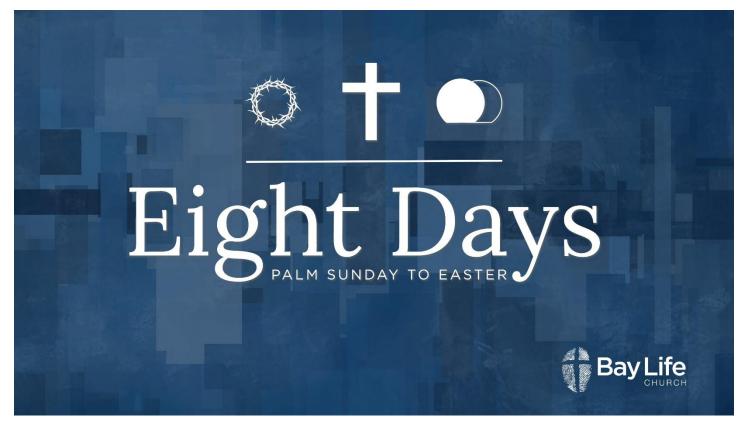
Resurrection Sunday



John 20:19-20, ESV – ¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

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SERMON-BASED STUDY

For the week of April 12, 2020 John 20:19-20

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

ENGAGE WITH THE MESSAGE

This weekend we were reminded that people without Jesus are lost in the dark and are trapped by their fears. How do people in these circumstances think and behave?

- 2 How did Jesus' presence in the room change everything? How does His presence change everything today?
- In what ways have you experienced shalom (all that can possibly be had in the grace of God) in your life?

DIGGING DEEPER

A **1 Kings 19:1-4, ESV** – Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers."

4 When reading passages about people who had moments of fear and anxiety, we see similar thoughts and behaviors. In this passage, we see Elijah, a great prophet of God, have a moment of fear that causes him to run. How can great people of God be overtaken by fear and anxiety?

- 5 If you continue to read the story of Elijah, you know that God comes and tends to his physical needs and his emotional needs. If God is the initiator, then what, if anything, does He require of us?
- 6 Describe a time in your life when fear took over. How did God come into your life and "right the ship"? What did God require of you?
- **B** John 14:25-27, ESV ²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.
- 7 Looking at the passage above, how does the Holy Spirit correlate with Jesus' words on peace and fear?
- **B** Describe the peace that comes from Jesus? How is this similar and/or different from the peace that comes from the world?
- 9 How can we "tap into" Christ's peace during these troubled times?

TAKING IT HOME

In the midst of fear, anxiety, and troubled times, God's peace is present. How are you doing with living in His peace today? What concerns or fears do you need to surrender to Him (1 Peter 5:6-7)? Share with your group or accountability partner and pray for a life lived in daily surrender to God and peace from God.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUEST

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FOR FURTHER STUDY

Luke 24:33-40 John 1:4-5 Romans 8:38-39 1 Corinthians 15:5 2 Timothy 1:7 Hebrews 13:5-6