

### The Heart of the Matter

12. Would you have had trouble believing the angel's words? Why or why not?

13. Who did Jesus send to you to tell you about the resurrection? Did you have trouble believing that person? How were you finally convinced about the resurrection of Christ?

14. Who do you need to tell about the resurrection?

15. How would your life be different if Jesus had not risen from the dead?



## Life Group Study Guide

(Life Groups Coming Fall 2017)

### He Rose From the Grave Mark 15:39-16:8 For the Week of April 16, 2017

#### Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. Along with going to church, what do you like to do on Sunday mornings?
3. What is the most incredible event you have ever seen?

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### **Digging Deeper**

4. What was at stake for the centurion to say that “Truly this man was the Son of God” in verse 15:39? What is so significant about this statement about Jesus?

5. What are the names of all the women who were at the cross that Mark mentions in verses 15:40-41? What do we learn about the faith of these women in this passage? What would be on their minds as they witnessed the death of Jesus?

6. As the women make their way to the tomb in verses 16:1-3 what seems to be on their minds?

7. When they arrive at the tomb what do they discover in verse 4? How do they react? Why would they be afraid?

8. In verses 6-7 how does the man dressed in white comfort the women? Do you think the women believed the angel?

9. Why do you think the angel asked them specifically to speak to Peter? What does this tell you about Jesus’ plans for Peter? (John 21:15-19)

10. From the other Gospel accounts we learn that the women went directly to the disciples to tell them what they saw. What can we learn about the resurrection from what Matthew, Mark and John have to offer? (Matthew 27:61 - 28:15; Luke 23:54 - 24:12; John 20:1-18)

11. The Gospel accounts seem to have some differences between them concerning the events of the resurrection. How might this corroboration of evidence from the four Gospel accounts actually demonstrate the authenticity and reliability of the evidence concerning the resurrection of Christ?