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## Sermon Listening Guide



### **Happy Resurrection Sunday!**

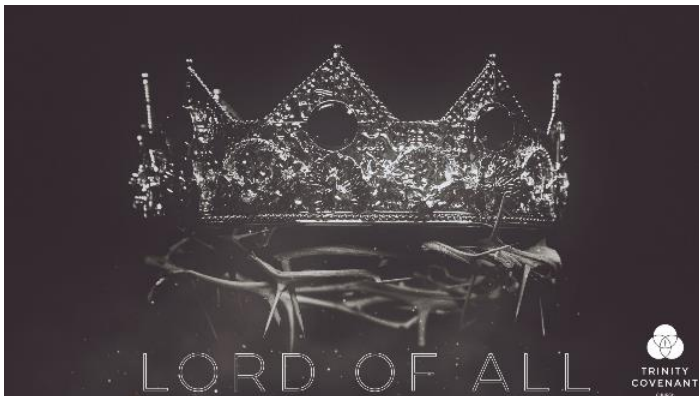
The day of resurrection is described by the Gospels in detail, both to verify that it happened and to explain the meaning that the first Christians took from it.

Although Christian worship tends to celebrate this day as a joyful culmination, in which everything about Jesus was made clear, the original day is described in the Gospels as confusing and disturbing. The full scope of what had happened wouldn't become clear until the risen Christ appeared to his disciples and explained events to them.

When women went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body for burial, they found the stone

moved away from the mouth of the tomb and no body inside. Instead there was an angel who told them to pass the word to the disciples, "He has been raised from the dead," and to tell them to proceed to Galilee, where the risen Christ would appear to them.

John's Gospel has the poignant scene at the tomb when Mary Magdalene meets the risen Lord, mistakes him for a gardener, and then recognizes him. They exchange brief and tender words, with Jesus telling her: "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' "



# "Lord Over Life"

## **Luke 24:1 – 8** **Jesus Has Risen**

New International Version

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup> He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup> 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' " <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words.

SPOILER ALERT:  
*the tomb was empty!*  
LUKE 24:24



