

EASTERTIDE

WEEK ONE

A QUICKGUIDE TO SCRIPTURE & CONVERSATION LUKE 24:1-12



READ THE STORY

Read Luke 24: 1-12 together aloud. The women came to the tomb because that is where they saw the body of Jesus placed after the crucifixion. They brought spices to anoint the body, as was tradition. Upon their arrive, angelic messengers tell them Jesus has risen, but they do not see the risen Jesus with their own eyes. It would seem so much easier to have the women come to the tomb and witness the resurrection, wouldn't it? Our situation is like that of the women - we are all given a message of resurrection, yet it flied in the face of what we know to be true.

CONSIDER

What do the spices the women bring with them suggest about their perspective on Jesus?

Why do then angels' words jog the women's memory of what Jesus had told them?

Would it have been better for the women to witness Jesus' resurrection outright rather than hear it from others?

ACTIVITY

Break out into pairs and discuss together a time when your spouse or a family member said "I told you so!"

What does this have to do with the women's experience of Jesus' resurrection?

FOUND AMONG THE LIVING

Jesus' words (and the angels' words!) make it clear - living people do not reside in tombs! This means Jesus is found among the living--among us. How does this make you feel? How can you look for traces of Jesus' presence in your life? Where do you find him at work?

CLOSING PRAYER

Close with the sharing of prayer concerns and a prayer for one another and the work of Christ in our world.
Happy Easter!