**Easter – Luke 24: 6 -7**

**Focal Truth: The angels declared to Christ’s disciples the good news: Jesus Christ is Risen from the dead!**

**Angels surround the glorious Lord Jesus the Son of God**

* They sang glory to God at the birth of the Lord Jesus!
* They announced His birth – You shall call His name Jesus…
* They ministered to Him in his temptations
* They announced His resurrection!
* They joined Him in His ascension to heaven from earth
* They surround Him in glory crying – worthy is the Lamb who was slain! Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God almighty who was, who is and who is to come
* They look with amazement at the grace of God given through the Lord Jesus Christ to sinners who will believe in Him – 1 Pet. 1:12 – *things into which angels long to look*
* They are awed by the work of God in His people – the church – Eph. 3:10 – *so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly places*

**Today let’s hear the message of the resurrection from the angels**

**Observations**

1. **The question of the angels – 24:5**

*Why do you seek the living One among the dead?*

1. Many today think of Jesus as someone who lived & died

* Died a good man
* Died a prophet
* Died a martyr

1. They refuse to believe that He is alive today
2. They study Him as an historic figure
3. They read His words as philosophy

**They live as if Jesus was dead!**

The question of the angels is the question to you today?

**Why do you seek the living One among the dead?**

1. **The angels announce: Jesus Christ is not here! – 24:6**

*He is not here…*

1. He is not here now **but He was here** – Lk. 23:53 – laid Him in a tomb, where no one had ever lain
2. He is not here now **but He has been here** – Matt. 17:17 – you unbelieving perverted generation, how long shall I be with you?

Lk. 24:19 – Jesus the Nazarene mighty in deed in the sight of God & men

1. He is not here now **but He will be here again** – Acts 1:11 – He will come again in the same way you watched him go
2. **The angels announce: Jesus Christ is risen! – 24:6**

*He is risen…*

1. He is risen from the dead – Rom. 5:10 – *if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life*
2. He is risen fully alive – Luke 24:39 – *see my hands and my feet, that it is I Myself, touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have*
3. He is risen victorious over death – 2 Tim. 1: 9 -10 – *who saved us and called us with a holy calling, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity, but now has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel*
4. He is risen forever – Rom. 6:10 – *for the death He died, He died to sin once for all: but the life that He lives, He lives to God*
5. **The angels announce: Remember what Jesus said! – 24:6 -7**

*Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, saying the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again*

1. Jesus shares the gospel before His death while still on the earth
2. Jesus shares the gospel to reveal the remedy for man’s sin
3. Jesus shares the gospel to reveal the necessity of the His death & resurrection for the salvation for all people

**Things to Remember & Do**

1. **Remember the good news of Jesus Christ death & resurrection**

The Son of Man must be delivered in the hands of sinful men

He must be crucified

The third day rise again

1. **Rom. 10:9 -11 – if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses resulting in salvation. For the scripture says, whoever believes will not be disappointed .**