**The Colors of Easter**

Luke 24

**Luke 24:1 (ESV)**But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared.

**Luke 24:2 (ESV)**And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

**Luke 24:3 (ESV)**but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

**Luke 24:4 (ESV)**While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel.

**Luke 24:5 (ESV)**And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead?

**Luke 24:6 (ESV)**He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee,

**Luke 24:7 (ESV)**that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.”

**Luke 24:12 (ESV)**But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

**Luke 24:15 (ESV)**While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them.

**Luke 24:16 (ESV)**But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him.

**Luke 24:17 (ESV)**And He said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad.

1. **Jesus replaced the doubts in their minds with the truth of God’s Word.**

**Luke 24:19 (ESV)**And He said to them, “What things?” And they said to Him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,

**Luke 24:20 (ESV)**and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him.

**Luke 24:21 (ESV)**But we had hoped that He was the One to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.

**Luke 24:22 (ESV)**Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning,

**Luke 24:23 (ESV)**and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive.

**Luke 24:24 (ESV)**Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see.”

**Luke 24:25 (ESV)**And He said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

**Luke 24:26 (ESV)**Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?”

**Luke 24:27 (ESV)**And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

**Isaiah 53:12 (ESV)**Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the many, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

**Zechariah 12:10 (ESV)**… when they look on Me, on Him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over Him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

1. **Jesus replaced the sorrow in their hearts with the light of His presence.**

**Luke 24:28 (ESV)**So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther,

**Luke 24:29 (ESV)**but they urged Him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So He went in to stay with them.

**Luke 24:30 (ESV)**When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them.

**Luke 24:31 (ESV)**And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight.

**Luke 24:32 (ESV)**They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?”

1. **Jesus replaced the uncertainty in their souls with the message of His salvation.**

**Luke 24:38 (ESV)**And He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?

**Luke 24:39 (ESV)**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.”

**Luke 24:40 (ESV)**And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet.

**Luke 24:45 (ESV)**Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,

**Luke 24:46 (ESV)**and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

**Luke 24:47 (ESV)**and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

**Luke 24:48 (ESV)**You are witnesses of these things.

**Romans 6:23 (ESV)**For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.