



## God of Surprises

Mark 16:1-8

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**Introduction:** The disciples have disappeared. And Jesus is no longer dead. The word from the angel in the empty tomb is: "He is risen, just like he said." Only now he wants to meet with the ones who abandoned him. But the message to them is not: "Where have you been you traitorous cowards?" It's: "I'm going before you; I want you back."

## Implications from the Resurrection Account

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1. What aspects of Mark's account lend credence to the historical reliability of the resurrection? (In other words, how do we know Mark's not just making this stuff up?)
2. When we say that *the grace of God is sufficient to cover all of our sins*, what do we mean?
3. What is the doctrine of justification?
4. Why is the fear of death so debilitating? How does shedding that fear free us to do so many things?
5. What is the danger in saying to God: "If you do this one miracle for me, I'll follow you the rest of my life"?
6. Why is the gospel referred to as "the power of God unto salvation"?

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