

SERMON STARTERS

THE GLORIOUS ACCOUNT OF EASTER!

Luke Chapter 24

Though the term Easter is found but once in the King James Version (Acts 12:4), and is translated "*Passover*" in nearly all other translations of that text, it is a term that is commonly acknowledged as representing the day of the week in which our Lord Jesus Christ was resurrected from the grave. Certain chapters of the Bible seem to bear a theme that helps us to recognize their content, such as Hebrews 11 is the "*Faith*" chapter; I Corinthians 13 the "*Love*" chapter; Luke 15 the "*Lost & Found*" chapter; Ephesians 6 the "*Soldier's*" chapter; John 3 the "*New Birth*" chapter; and Luke 24 is often called the "*Easter*" chapter.

Here, from Luke 24, are some of the glorious accounts, or events, of the Resurrection story. Enjoy reflecting upon the wonder of all wonders the miracle of all miracles and the glory of all glories and may your hearts begin to "*burn within*" as did those of the disciples on the Emmaus Road.

The Announcement of Easter - Lk. 24:1-12

"He is not here but risen!"

Lk. 24:6a

The Afterglow of Easter - Lk. 24:13-35

"Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened to us the scriptures?"

Lk. 24:32

The Assurance of Easter - Lk. 24:36-43

"Peace to you....it is I myself."

Lk. 24:36,39

The Affirmation of Easter - Lk. 24:44-49

"These are the words....the Scriptures"

Lk. 24:44,45

The Final Actions of Easter - Lk. 24:50-53

"By Christ - vs. 50-51

"He led them"

"He blessed them"

"He parted from them"

By the disciples - vs. 52-53

Reverence - they worshiped

Rapture - they had great joy

Remembrance - continually in the temple (House of God)

they praised and blessed Him.

*I love to hear the story how up from the grave He arose,
And the moving of the stone could not be explained by His foes.
I love to hear the story how the women came that morn,
Wondering how to lift the stone, sweet spices, His body to adorn.
I love to hear the story how the angel all dressed in white,
Said to the trembling ladies, He's risen! He's not here! It's all right!*
--M. H. Belt