

Everything Changes

Part 4 of the *The Week That Changed Everything* Series

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Text: John 21:1-17

That night they caught nothing.

John 21:3

Some of the reasons we walk away from doing life God's way:

- Disappointment with God or ourselves
- The weariness of religion
- Being deceived into thinking there's a better way

Whenever you try to live life your way rather than God's way, you end up with nothing.

Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore.

John 21:4

God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

Acts 2:24

When you see Jesus as a nothing more than a legend, it doesn't change anything but when see Jesus as the risen Savior it changes everything.

- You're given a brand new start.

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Romans 6:4

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:10

- You can now rest in the finished work of the Savior.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

- You can face death with confidence rather than fear.
- You can live knowing there's always forgiveness for the past & hope for the future.

You have two choices when it comes to the message of Easter:

- Let it simply be an annual event that doesn't change a thing or...
- Embrace all this message means and let it change your life.

Next Steps

If you have committed or recommitted your life to Jesus today, we'd love to stay connected with you. Please fill out a connection card and put it in the bucket at the end of the service.

Join us next Sunday as we start a new teaching series looking at all the evidence backing the existence of God.

Take some time to answer the following questions with your spouse, children, or small group...

- Read John 20:1-8. Put yourselves in the disciple's shoes. What would this have been like? Who do you think you'd most likely be the most like in this situation? Mary, Peter, or the other disciple?
- Have you ever had a season where you wandered away from God's way? Take some time to share your stories.
- In the sermon notes, there are four changes that can be a reality for you in light of Christ's resurrection. Which of these changes do you want the most today? Explain.
- What are some ways you can daily live in the reality that Jesus is alive?
- How can we pray for you?