

# Sacred Space He is Risen!

The Gospel of Matthew Series

## PREPARATION

<sup>3</sup> The Good News is about his Son. In his earthly life he was born into King David’s family line, <sup>4</sup> and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**He is Jesus Christ our Lord.** Romans 1:3-4

## ADORATION and GRATITUDE

<sup>14</sup> We know that God, who raised the Lord Jesus, will also raise us with Jesus and present us to himself together with you.

<sup>15</sup> **All of this is for your benefit. And as God’s grace reaches more and more people, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory.** 2 Corinthians 4:14-15

## CONFESSION

<sup>33</sup> Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself.

<sup>34</sup> **Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God’s right hand, pleading for us.** Romans 8:33-34

## MEDITATION & CONTEMPLATION — Matthew 28

Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb.

<sup>2</sup> Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. <sup>4</sup> The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint.

<sup>5</sup> Then the angel spoke to the women. “Don’t be afraid!” he said. “I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He isn’t here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. <sup>7</sup> And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you.”

### PRACTICE: IN SOLITUDE OR COMMUNITY

Read	Slowly, several times.
Reflect	How do I relate to this?
Respond	What is my next step of obedience?
Rest	Receive God’s healing and renewal.

<sup>8</sup> The women ran quickly from the tomb. They were very frightened but also filled with great joy, and they rushed to give the disciples the angel’s message. <sup>9</sup> And as they went, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they ran to him, grasped his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Don’t be afraid! Go tell my brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there.”

ANCHORING PRAYER “Your life gives me life.”

## REVIEW OF THE HEART

- How does the resurrection affect me?
- Who do I know that needs to hear the Good News of Christ’s resurrection?

## WISDOM

And if Christ has not been raised, then all our preaching is useless, and your faith is useless. 1 Corinthians 15:14

“Our old history ends with the cross; our new history begins with the resurrection.”

—Watchman Nee

TESTIMONY What is God saying to me?

INTERCESSION Prayers for the Church & One Another

## CLOSING PRAYER

**All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for us, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.** 1 Peter 1:2-4 (Adapted)

**Amen!**

### SACRED SPACE EVERY DAY

- Become still and quiet before God.
- Be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for the Sacred Space Community.
- Minister from a listening heart.