

DAYS AFTER



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WARM UP QUESTION: Have you ever received new information that caused you to see a difficult situation differently? How did your new perspective influence your response to that situation?

READ: John 20:19-29

FOCUS: The risen Jesus meets our fear with peace, empowering and awakening faith.

OBSERVE:

- After he rose from the dead, Jesus appeared to the disciples, who were likely very afraid after the crucifixion. Just as Jesus met them in their fear, he graciously meets us in our fear.
- Jesus brings peace, which quiets our fear. His resurrection overcomes our fear by giving us peace that comes from a sure hope.
- The presence of his peace in the midst of our fear empowers and awakens our faith, changing our fear to a faith that confesses Jesus as our Lord and Savior, is filled with joy, and proclaims the gospel.

DISCUSS:

- What stood out to you, or what did the Holy Spirit bring to your attention?
- Consider a current situation that causes you to feel fear. How does Jesus's resurrection offer hope?
- As you reflect on that hope, in what way do you sense the Spirit awakening your faith and how do you feel prompted to respond?

TAKE ACTION:

- In your life group, share one fear that you currently face. Then reflect on the resurrection and share how it brings peace to you in that area.
- Consider someone in your community who is experiencing fear. Take steps to share with or remind them of the hope and peace that comes from Jesus's resurrection.

PRAY: *Father, thank you for extending the peace that comes from Jesus's resurrection to us as we experience fear in our daily lives. Please quiet our fears and awaken our faith so that we may boldly confess Jesus as Lord and proclaim the gospel. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen!*