

# BEYOND THE SERMON

April 4, 2021 | Jesus Triumphs | Matthew 27:62-28:20

Main Point: Everything hinges on Jesus' triumph over sin and death.

## **Reflection & Discussion**

Read the passage and discuss the questions that follow.

What questions do you still have about the passage?

What are the main points or ideas in the passage?

What did you learn about God from this passage?

How does this passage apply to your life right now?

What is one concrete way you can live out this truth this week?

## **Digging Deeper**

Read John 3:19. Why is the Light not more attractive to people?

Pastor Ryan said that our society has gone from hiding sin, to acknowledging sin, to calling it morally right as “enlightenment” or “progress.” We’ve “lusted after the affirmation of our identity from the world rather than embracing the formation of who God is creating us to be.” Was there a time in your life that your comfort in darkness caused the Light to be blinding?

What difference has the gospel made in your life?

What doubts or questions do you still have?

Read Matthew 1:20-24. Do you think Joseph still had questions or doubts? What did the angel tell him about Jesus' name in vs 23?

...they shall call his name \_\_\_\_\_, (which means God \_\_\_\_\_ )

Read Matthew 28:19-20. Do you think the disciples still had questions or doubts? What did Jesus remind them in verse 20?

And behold, I am \_\_\_\_\_, to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the age.”

Do you think this was significant to Matthew? What difference did it make for Joseph to know that God was with him? What about the disciples? Would God have really been with us if Jesus had not risen from the dead?

What difference can it make in your life if God is with you?