

Two Post-Resurrection Appearances of Christ

Sermon 100 in the Matthew Series

Matthew 28:16-17; John 20:24-29; 21:15-19

From Willam Hendricksen -- 10 post resurrection appearances of Jesus.

On the Day of Resurrection

1. Mary Magdalene (John 20:11-18)
2. The unnamed women (Matthew 28:9-10)
3. On the Emmaus Road (Luke 24:14-35)
4. Simon (Luke 24:34; 1 Cor. 15:15)
5. The Disciples -- minus Thomas (John 20:19-25)

Appearances afterwards

6. To the Disciples with Thomas Present (John 20:26-29)
7. To the seven at the Sea of Tiberius (John 21:1-14)
8. To the Five Hundred (1 Cor. 15:6)
9. To James the Lord's brother (15:7)
10. The Great Commission and Ascension (Matt. 28:18-20; Luke 24:50-51)

I. Thomas John 20:24-29

A. Absent from the place of blessing. 20:24-26

B. Christ's Exhortation to a Doubting Disciple v. 27-29

C. Applications from this Passage

1. His Confession shows he was a changed man.
 - a. His cry was a devout expression of holy wonder.
 - b. His cry was an expression of absolute delight.
 - c. His cry was a humble expression of worship.
2. Don't absent yourself from the Means of Grace (place of blessing)
3. The Church is not made up of perfect individuals.

II. Peter -- John 21:15-23

Without understanding Peter's denial, this passage does not carry the weight of his restoration.

Luke 22:31-32 -- ³¹ And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you (**plural**), that he may sift *you* as wheat. ³² But I have prayed for you (**singular**), that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to *Me*, strengthen your brethren."

A. Do you love Me? John 21:15-17

3 Denials – 3 Confessions

B. Peter's Future John 20:18-19

C. John's Future -- John 20:20-23