

Key Scripture:

John 14:6 NKJV *I am the way*, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

An Unexpected Guest...

John 20:19-23 NKJV

19 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you."
20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you!
As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

What can the church do to help people with unbelief?

John 20:25 NKJV

"Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, <u>I will not believe.</u>"

 \checkmark Continue to <u>meet</u>.

John 20:19 NLT the disciples were meeting

✓ Encourage others with our <u>experience</u> with the Lord.

John 20:25 NLT <u>They told him, "We have seen the Lord!"</u>

✓ Look at what the Lord has done for you and be joyful!

John 20:20 NLT As He spoke, <u>He showed them the wounds in His hands and His side.</u> <u>They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord!</u>

✓ Help people find a place to <u>belong</u> so they can <u>believe.</u>

John 20:26 NLT Eight days later the disciples were together again, and <u>this time Thomas was with them.</u>

The Jesus Plan

Resurrected Reception

Jesus rose to give you...

1. <u>Peace</u> from all your troubles and fears.

John 20:19 NKJV Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, <u>"Peace be with you."</u>

2. Purpose in this world.

John 20:21 NLT ...As the Father has sent Me, so *I am sending you.*

Romans 8:28 NLT And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those *who love God and are <u>called according to His purpose for them.</u>*

3. Power to live a victorious life.

John 20:22 NLT Then <u>He breathed on them</u> and said, <u>"Receive the Holy Spirit."</u>

Three Questions – 7 Days after Resurrection Sunday

Is there an area in your life that you would like more peace?_____

What do you think God is calling you to do?_____

Would you like to receive more power from God to live in victory?___

Notes: ______