

Sunday, 04-17-22

**The Paschal Lamb Lives!**  
**Bible Background: Matthew 27; 28:1-10**  
**Devotional Reading: Psalm 136**

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**Aim for Change (Page 374):**

1. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew's account of the Resurrection
  2. **EMBRACE** the possibilities of liberation found in Jesus' resurrection
  3. **LIVE** courageously in the freedom that Jesus gives.
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**Intro:**

- How can we find hope in the midst of our anguish? (*Psalm 119:137-144; Romans 5:3-5; 2 Corinthians 2:3-5; Hebrews 11:1*)
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**Background (Page 377):**

1. What does it take to say, "Thy will be done"? (*Tuesday – Matthew 26:36-46*)
  2. Does fear draw you closer or further away from God? (*Wednesday – Matthew 26:47-56*)
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**In Depth (Pages 377-378):**

1. Women at the Tomb (*Matthew 28:1-8*)
    - a. Have you ever heard the voice of an angel and/or God and didn't listen out of fear of not knowing whose voice it was? (*Judges 6:9-10; Proverbs 4:20-27; John 10:3-5*)
  2. Jesus Appears to the Women (*Matthew 28:9-10*)
    - a. How has fear stopped you from sharing the Gospel in the past? What can you do to overcome that fear? (*Saturday – Psalm 118:14-17, 19-29*)
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**Search the Scriptures (Page 378):**

1. What four messages did the angel give the women? (*Matthew 28:5-7*)
  2. What emotions did the women express upon receiving the call to carry the Good News of the risen Lord? (*Matthew 28:8*)
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**Discuss the Meaning (Page 378):**

1. What does Jesus' resurrection mean for believers everywhere? For sinners everywhere? For evil and death? (*John 5:38-40; 10:27-29*)
  2. Why is it important for believers to share the Good News of Jesus' resurrection? (*Matthew 28:16-20*)
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**Liberating Lesson (Page 378):**

1. How can we be bolder to share the Good News when people may question the power of God to challenge our expectations and transform our lives? (*Ephesians 3:11-13*)