

Conversations Series
Mary at The Tomb
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Opening/Introduction

- read John 20:11-18
- pray
- (some comments on series)

See the Glory

- John 20:11-13
- look at how casually she interacts with these angels...most people are terribly frightened!!! (Fear Not...most repeated...unexpected supernatural)

- Mark 9:2-6
- Daniel 10:8-12
- Luke 1:11-13

- John 20:11-13 (do angels like playing the scaring game?)

-God uses sorrow to bring you close to sacred moments. In your sorrow, see the glory.

- Isaiah 40:1-5

- Sorrow and glory revealed are connected
- Explain verse 3 & 4 (talk about bridges in Haiti)
- Sorrow dismantles barriers

- don't let your sorrow and grief be a barrier when it's supposed to be a path!

- (if you are in a place of sorrow right now...)

Hear Your Name

-John 20:14-16

-Did you know that all 4 of the post resurrection appearances in John were at places where they were supposed to be?

- John 20:11 (tomb)
- John 20:19 (upper room)
- John 20:26 (upper room)
- John 21:1 (Galilee)

-Just because He can meet you where you are doesn't mean He stops asking you to come to where He is.

-Hebrews 10:25

-Online church is wonderful...but it can't be your new normal.

- **Evangelistic**
- **Benevolent**
- **Informative**
- **Timeless**
- **Supplemental**

-Until Jesus' return, you will find Him at Church...because Church is His idea (Matthew 16:18) and He wants to meet you here...He wants you to hear Him say your name.)

-Isaiah 43:1 (tell story of Cassandra 2.5 yrs old waking up today saying, "Can we go to church now?")

Make the Shift

-John 20:17-18

-Persnickety Jesus...what are some of your pet peeves

-Haptoe (hop-toe) "Mary, don't cling to what was but embrace what's to come...spiritual camping is My pet peeve!"

-Ephesians 3:20

-Revelation 21:5..."new" – Jesus uses the word "kainos"

Neos -- new quantitatively...is "allos" meaning another one but something the same, new as in additional (explain, talk about the law of diminishing marginal returns...) (neh-ose)

Kainos -- new qualitatively...is "heteros" meaning another one but something different, carrying the connotation of improved . (kai-nose)

(preach...with God, even when it is the same thing, it is still always "kainos" ...it's never just another day reading the Bible, it's never just another church service, it's never just another prayer...He makes all things new!!!!)

-For too many people, church life never shifts from "neos" to "kainos" because those same people never shift from "me" to "we."

-(talk to youth about them being in the season of needing to move from "me" to "we."

Band

-Pastor Justin...Jesus and The Blind Man two weeks ago...

-Pastor David...The Master and The Manager

-(stand...prayer...)

Close

-Psalm 90:1