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## Jesus and His Appearance to the Disciples

John 20:16-23

Sunday, April 7, 2024

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*When Jesus appears to the disciples, the first thing He does is show them His scars. We look to a Savior with resurrection scars! Here in John 20, He tells us what His scars mean for us.*

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### TAKING ACTION

Our biggest challenge is to believe and internalize the Gospel: the blessings that are ours because Jesus is risen! What would be different in your life if you really began to believe that you have a new peace, a new family, and a new mission? This week, ponder this and flesh it out!

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**NEXT WEEK:** *Jesus and His Appearance to Thomas | John 20:24-29*

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*Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the perfect time to jump in at [gracecentralcoast.org/groups](https://gracecentralcoast.org/groups)*

### CONNECT *(ask this question to check-in with your group)*

Share your current favorite TV show or movie and why you like it.

### DISCUSS *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Read John 20:16-23 again together as a group. How did you "come under" God's Word and the message this week? How did this text/message speak to you?
2. Have you ever noticed or thought about the reality that the Risen Jesus still has scars? On Friday, when Jesus was dying, what did those wounds mean to the disciples? What do those scars mean to you now?
3. What is "shalom"? Why did the disciples need to hear that greeting from Jesus? How does the resurrection accomplish real "shalom"?

4. To what degree does your life reflect the new peace you have in Jesus?
5. Where in John 20 does Jesus talk about our new family? Why is this a word of grace to these disciples?
6. How is your growth group doing "living together" as a new family? How can you lean into this "new family" truth even more this Spring quarter?
7. We, the followers of Jesus, are a SENT people. What does that mean and where is this truth taught in John 20? What are some of the many ways our lives can reflect this truth? How does your life reflect this truth?

### PRAY *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- In light of John 20, pray that your group might more fully internalize and believe that we have a new peace, a new family, and a new mission.
- Share and pray for one another's needs.