

Matthew 28

Women and the New Creation

Sermon Notes for the Third Sunday of Easter, May 8, 2011 by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

I. The Sun has risen with healing in its wings

A. The Great Commission

Worship→ Go.....Make Disciples....;; I am with you always
Mission.....Discipleship..... Community
Glory.....Knowledge;;;;;; Life
Aaron’s Rod..The Ten Words..... Manna
Goodness.....Truth..... Beauty
Purification....Ascension/Tribute....Peace
Confession....Sermon/Offering..... Eucharist
Father..... Son..... Holy Spirit
“Worshipping the Triune God, Transforming the Fallen World” Epipheo

B. Forgiveness and Life - John 20:19-31

II. What about the primal rift?

III. Resurrection Morning: Women and Warriors

Time Reference

Women at the Tomb

Angelic Might and Warriors at the Tomb

Angelic Message to the Women: Do Not Be Afraid

Angelic Mandate to the Women: Go

Women Leave Tomb (To Disciples)

Women Go (To Disciples)

Jesus’ Message: Rejoice

Women’s Response: Worship

Jesus’ Message: Do Not Be Afraid

Jesus’ Mandate: Go, Tell His Brothers To Go (To Galilee!)

Warriors’ True Report (Context: Women Obeying)

Money Given to Warriors (False Glory)

The Conspiracy (False Knowledge)

Security Promised to Warriors (False Life)

Warriors’ Falsified Report (False Knowledge)

IV. New Creation Women Apostles?

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1 Now **after the Sabbath**, as the **first day** of the week **began to dawn**,

Mary Magdalene and the other Mary **came to see the tomb**.

² And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. ³ His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. ⁴ And the **guards shook for fear** of him, and became like dead men.

⁵ But the angel answered and said to the women, "**Do not be afraid**, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

⁷ And **go quickly** and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into **Galilee**; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you."

⁸ So they **went out quickly from the tomb** with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word.

⁹ And as they **went to tell** His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "**Rejoice!**"

So they came and held Him by the feet and **worshiped Him**.

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "**Do not be afraid**.

Go and tell My brethren to go to **Galilee**, and there they will see Me.

¹¹ Now while **they were going**, behold, some of **the guard came** into the city and reported to the chief priests **all the things that had happened**.

¹² When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of **money** to the soldiers,

¹³ saying, "**Tell them**, 'His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.'

¹⁴ And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will appease him and **make you secure**."

¹⁵ So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is **commonly reported** among the Jews until this day.

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went away into **Galilee**, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. ¹⁷ When they saw Him, **they worshiped Him**; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

¹⁹ **Go** therefore

and **make disciples** of all the nations,

baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

²⁰ *teaching them* to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo,

I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Questions from Matthew 28 for Young Hearers

1. The 11 disciples met Jesus on a _____.
2. As they _____, He spoke to them.
3. He told them to go, sending them on a _____.
4. He told them to make _____ by baptizing and teaching others.
5. He told them they would have _____.
6. The women went to the tomb as the _____ began.
7. Because of an angel, the guards were very _____.
8. Who did the angel tell to not be afraid? The _____.
9. After the angel's good news to the women, he gave them a _____ from God.
10. Whom did the women meet as they obeyed? _____
11. What three things did Jesus tell the women?
 - A. _____!
 - B. Don't be _____
 - C. _____
12. Jesus' words came to them while they _____
13. _____ Him,
What did the Jews bribe the guards with?
_____ (Money)
_____ (Security)
14. What did they bribe them to do? _____