

# Life Group Notes for the week beginning 17 April 2022

## Mark 16:1-8 “Inviting Trust”

*Some Life Groups may not be meeting during the week after Easter, but these notes are designed as much for individual study as for group study.*



### Introduction

Can you recall a time when you made a surprising discovery that changed the way you think?

### Mark 16:1-8

1. What were the women expecting as they went to the tomb?
2. Given Jesus' repeated advance notices about what was going to happen (Mark 8:31; 9:31; 10:32-34; 14:27-28), why were the women taken by surprise and why were the other disciples absent?
3. Why do you think the young man dressed in white particularly mentions Peter as someone who especially needs to be told?
4. In the ancient world women were regarded as worthless witnesses. Why does Mark's mention of them here actually affirm the validity of this story rather than call the events into question?

## More Extensive Study

### Activity 1

The accounts of the Resurrection of Jesus in the 4 Gospels differ from one another. Compare and contrast the different accounts and make a list of the differences.

Mark 16:1-8    Matthew 28:1-20    Luke 24:1-49    John 20:1-30

How do you account for these differences?

### Activity 2

How does the Resurrection shape the way you live your Christian life?  
What would be different if it wasn't true?

### Activity 3

What evidence can you find in the Gospels to convince you that Jesus Christ's body was raised from the dead and not just His Spirit (i.e. that He was not a ghost!)?