THE WONDER OF THE RISEN JESUS Luke 24:1-12 Resurrection Day 3-27-16

Not the 1st time we can't find Jesus. How does this fit with his rising?

Women go back to find Jesus in a tomb, but can't find his body.

1. WONDERING AT LOSS & DEATH

* What Are You Expecting?

- ~ Come in the dark to see & smell & sense ...no hope. Is this your story?
- ~ Death comes in lesser forms. Wondering: What do we do w/ our losses?

* Do You Remember Jesus' Promise?

- ~ Wondering: "Why do you look for the living among the dead?"
- ~ Remember! What gift to receive!
- ~ B/c Jesus seems lost, Peter runs to tomb ... & wonders what's going on!

How do you discover new reality that Jesus invites us into?

2. WONDER W/THE RISEN LORD

* With Jesus' Own Words

~ What's your language for resurrection?

John 11:25-26 Rm14.9 Rom. 8:11 2 Cor. 4:6

~ Whole story of Scripture's truth ... Hope in Jesus!

* With God-Shaped Expectations

- ~ Don't cling to your expectations...God has so much more!
- ~ W/ wonder keep seeing what Jesus reveals as he opens our eyes.

Practices to stimulate faith in what God's doing!

- ~ See the big horizon of God's story.
- ~ Pay attention to small ways Jesus comes up alongside us.
- ~ Step thru door to new reality of spiritual life w/ Jesus
- ~ Pray for Spirit to open your heart & eyes to Jesus