

“Responding to the Resurrection” **(Matthew 28 and Luke 24)**

I. The Report of the resurrection is given to all: – Matthew 28:1–10

- A. Some people were given responsibility to pass on the report of the resurrection.
- B. Jesus expects His followers to believe the report. Without having to see Him!

II. The unveiling of the resurrection is available to all:

A. The Lord reveals the certainty of the resurrection to those who seek it.

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- 1. These disciples were seeking a clear understanding of the report.

2. Important Lessons: v16- We can’t see Jesus until we first believe Jesus.

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- 2. Question:** Are your hopes the hopes of the righteous? -

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 - a. v25 -Being slow of heart to believe the scriptures.
 - b. v26 -Not realizing it was necessary for Messiah to die.

III. The person of the resurrection is seen by the spiritually thirsty.

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- 2. **Lessons:** The scriptures were always intended to bring us into a real relationship with the risen Lord. -**Rev. 3:20**

B. Jesus opened the eyes of the disciples v30-32.

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