

Resurrecting Hope

Romans 15:13 (NLT)

¹³ I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:11-18 (NLT)

¹¹ Mary was standing outside the tomb crying, and as she wept, she stooped and looked in. ¹² She saw two white-robed angels, one sitting at the head and the other at the foot of the place where the body of Jesus had been lying.

¹³ "Dear woman, why are you crying?" the angels asked her. "Because they have taken away my Lord," she replied, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴ She turned to leave and saw someone standing there. It was Jesus, but she didn't recognize him.

15 "Dear woman, why are you crying?" Jesus asked her. "Who are you looking for?" She thought he was the gardener. "Sir," she said, "if you have taken him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him."

"Mary!" Jesus said. She turned to him and cried out, "Rabboni!" (which is Hebrew for "Teacher"). ¹⁷ "Don't cling to me," Jesus said, "for I haven't yet ascended to the Father. But go find my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene found the disciples and told them, "I have seen the Lord!" Then she gave them his message.







7 critical questions to ask when leading a group to discover what God is saying to us though Scripture.

- 1. What are you thankful for? (Introduces people to true worship of God)
- 2. How are you or people you know struggling and how can this group help? (Introduces authentic community and ministry)
- 3. Did you do what you committed to do last time? (Introduces testimony and faith)
- 4. What does the Scripture today say to you? (Introduces the Holy Spirit as the teacher)
 - O What stands out for you from these verses?
- 5. What does this passage mean to you? (Introduces hearing God through the Word)
 - O Why does this stand out for you?
- 6. How will you obey? (Introduces obedience-based faith not head knowledge "If you love me, you will obey me")
 - How will your thoughts, emotions and therefore your actions be different because of this?
- 7. Who will you tell? (Introduces multiplication and movement so that urban area can be reached)



