

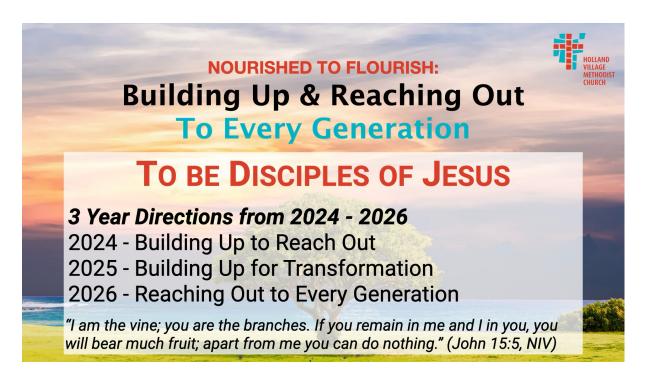
## Easter Sunday – Do Not Be Alarmed

Mark 16:1-8	
1.	Share of an encounter that alarmed you?
2.	Read Mark 16:1-8, Matthew 28:1-8 & Luke 24:1-10. Take some time to compare the 3 accounts from these gospels (Matthew, Mark & Luke are often referred to as the synoptic gospels as they can be "seen together"). Pay particular attention to the nuances and differences in the accounts.
3.	What happened that turned the women's <i>anxiety</i> about who would roll away the stone from the entrance of the tomb turn into <i>awe</i> ? (Mark 16:4-5)
4.	From Mark's account, did the young man's (the angel's) words assure the women that Jesus is risen? How did they respond? (Mark 16:8)
5.	In the Ancient Near East, women were generally not considered to be reliable witnesses. How does the synoptic gospels' account of the women at the tomb support the truth of the resurrection?
6.	Are you a disciple of Jesus? How does the truth of the resurrection move you from pursuing your own <i>agenda</i> to following Christ's <i>assignment</i> for you?



Note: If want to be a disciple of Jesus and you have never prayed to follow him, you may use the prayer below to express your faith and trust in Jesus.

Dear Jesus, I know that I need you, and I believe that you are the son of God. I acknowledge my sins, please forgive me, wipe my past away, and make me a new person. I open the door of my life, and receive you as my Lord and saviour. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins, and giving me eternal life. In your name I pray. Amen.



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