1. The Proof that Jesus is the Son of God! (Matthew 28:1-10)

Matt. 28:1 Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

- ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.
- ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.

⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.

Why Jesus' Resurrection is Everything! ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you."

⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.

Why Jesus' Resurrection is Everything! ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

2. The <u>Purpose</u> that Jesus Gives to Our Lives (Matthew 28:16-20a)

Matt. 28:16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

¹⁷ And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted.

¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

^{20a} teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

3. The Presence of Jesus in Our Lives (Matthew 28:20b)

Matt. 28:20b And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

4. The <u>Peace</u> Jesus Gives Us About Eternity (1 Cor. 15:14-18, 20, 50-57)

^{1 Cor. 15:14} And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.

¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised.

- ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised.
- ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.

Why Jesus' Resurrection is Everything! ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

⁵⁰ I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

⁵¹ Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sléep, but we shall all be changed,

⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

⁵³ For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality.

⁵⁴ When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

55"Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

