

Peace in the Room

When Jesus Enters, Fear Must Leave

RESURRECTION TO RESPONSIBILITY

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Before the room

- The resurrection had happened
- Mary had seen Jesus alive and ran to tell the disciples
- Peter and John had seen the empty tomb but did not see Jesus
- The disciples were huddled together in a room for fear of the Jews

John 20:19

NKJV

Then, the same day at evening...
Jesus came and stood in the midst,
and said to them, Peace be with you!

Faith vs fear

- You can have history with God... and still have moments of fear.
- Fear will make you close doors... that God has already opened!
- Fear will make you retreat... when God has called you forward.

Fear will lock what God has already opened

The unexpected entry

- The door was shut... but Jesus still entered!
- Closed doors do not limit Christ!
- He didn't wait for them to open the door...
He stepped in anyway.

What we shut in fear, Christ can enter by grace!

The declaration of peace

- The first words Jesus speaks are not correction... but peace – "Peace be with you"
- Peace is not the absence of trouble... it is the presence of Christ.

When Jesus speaks peace, chaos loses authority!

The revelation of scars

- He showed them His hands... and His side.
- The scars were the evidence... that what looked like defeat... was in fact victory!

Your wounds may be the very proof of God's work in your life

The reassignment of purpose

- Peace... then purpose.
- As the Father has sent Me... I also send you!
- The room was never meant to be permanent.

God brings us out of fear so He can send us into purpose

The struggle of faith & doubt

- Thomas said... unless I see... I will not believe.
- But Jesus came back for him.
- Jesus said - "Do not be unbelieving... but believing".

Jesus will revisit the room just to restore your faith

Three defining actions of Jesus

- He entered what was closed...
- He spoke what was missing...
- He restored what was broken.

Final summary

When Jesus steps into your room...

- Fear loses its voice...
- Peace takes its place...
- Purpose is reactivated.

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