

SET FREE

"IT IS FOR FREEDOM THAT CHRIST HAS SET US FREE"
[GALATIANS 5:1]

Talk summary:

Main message: Jesus sets us free, turning our fear into boldness

Key verse: Luke 24:34 "The Lord has really risen! He appeared to Peter"

Overview

The disciples were hiding in their room, fearful of the authorities. They hear the story of the Emmaus road, but even when Jesus meets them they are still full of fear. Jesus asks them, "Why are you frightened? Why are your hearts filled with doubt? There is a time for doubts and questioning, but there is also a time when Jesus says, 'do not fear, it's time to believe'. His resurrection promises the Holy Spirit. Jesus wants to set us free to be bold for Him! We are not alone – He is with us.

Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 15:14, "If Christ has not been raised, then our message is in vain and your own faith is in vain". In other words our faith is 100% dependent on the resurrection.

Questions:

Conversation Starter

In his inaugural address Franklin D Roosevelt said, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." Isaiah 8:13 says "Don't fear anything except the Lord! If you fear him, you need fear nothing else".

What do you fear most? Why? Do we tend to try and solve our biggest problems by ourselves?
Does the knowledge that we are not alone for God is with us at all times help us cope with fear?

What might God be saying to you about this theme/situation?

What has struck you from the passage and this theme that you want to hold on to?

How are you going to put it into practice?

