

# Sunday Sermon Questions • 2/1/2026

## Mark 16

### **Expecting Death or Trusting Resurrection?**

The women came to the tomb with spices, not with expectation of resurrection. In what ways do we sometimes approach Jesus with limited expectations of what He can do? How might this passage challenge us to trust Jesus beyond what feels logical or safe?

### **Who Will Roll the Stone Away?**

The women worried about the stone before they ever reached the tomb—only to find it already moved. What “stones” do you tend to worry about in advance? How has God shown Himself faithful by working ahead of you in ways you didn’t anticipate?

### **Faithfulness When Fear Is Present**

The women were faithful to go to the tomb even though they were grieving, confused, and afraid. What does their example teach us about following Jesus when emotions are overwhelming or when faith feels fragile?

### **Grace for the One Who Failed**

The angel specifically tells the women to go and tell “the disciples and Peter.” Why do you think Peter is mentioned by name? How does this highlight Jesus’ heart for restoration, and how might that encourage someone who feels disqualified because of past failure?

### **From Fear to Joyful Witness**

Mark ends with the women trembling and afraid, yet the other Gospels show they ultimately shared the good news with joy. How do fear and joy often coexist in our walk with Christ? What might it look like for you to step into sharing the hope of the resurrection even when fear is still present?

### **Prayer Prompt**

Lord Jesus, we thank You for the empty tomb and the living hope we have because You conquered sin and death. Help us trust You when we are afraid, believe You even when we don’t fully understand, and boldly share the good news of Your resurrection. We place every burden, need, and question at Your feet, confident that You are faithful in all things. Amen.