

Heart²Heart With God

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I often wondered what actually Jesus did after he rose from the dead on the third day. Bible says that he was here on the face of the earth 40 days visiting his disciples showing them alive with many infallible proofs and was speaking to them about the Kingdom of God (Acts 1:3).

But I believe in my heart that more than that he was much aware of completing the unfinished work which he started in the lives of some of his disciples. It is indeed a great blessing to meditate on the post-resurrection ministry of Jesus Christ! Let us begin:

1). MARY MAGDALENE

Luke 7:37-47: we all know the story very well. There at that house of Simon Jesus clarified two things, 1). Simon's doubt about the woman that she was a sinner, and 2). He declared and said to the woman that her sins which were many had forgiven. She became a follower and supporter of Jesus' ministry.

She was the first to go to the sepulcher to anoint Jesus' body with spices but could not find his body there and the stone on the sepulcher was rolled away. She was crying and saw a man standing behind her she supposing he was a gardener asked him where he took Jesus' body. Jesus called her by her name, Mary and she understood it was Jesus her Master. As she went near to him he said not to touch her because he was not yet ascended to his father in heaven (John 20:1-17).

Jesus wanted to affirm her that the work of forgiveness of her sins which was declared in the house of Simon was completed by his dying on the Cross as the Lamb of God and now he has to take his Blood and show to his Father in heaven. What a great sacrifice for your and my sins!

2). THOMAS DIDYMUS

On the same day of resurrection Jesus went to meet his disciples who were shut up in one room came in and stood in the midst of them and said, "Peace be unto you." He showed them his hands and his side. Thomas was not there when Jesus appeared. When Thomas came other disciples told them that Jesus was here. He did not believe. He told them until and unless he sees his pierced hand and side he cannot not believe. After eight days Jesus appeared again and straightway showed his hands and side to Thomas and said put your fingers into my side. Thomas was convinced and confessed, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said, "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." **Here we see Jesus set right Thomas' faith walk.**

3). SIMON PETER

In the Luke chapter 5 we have seen that Peter after encounter with Jesus was convinced and confessed, "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord." Jesus assured him and said, "Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men" (Luke 5:1-10). Peter became follower of Jesus Christ and he was with him for three and half year witnessed miracles Jesus did and his great teachings. He got the revelation of Jesus that "he was the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthews 16:16).

We see after sometime Peter he went along with 6 other disciples for fishing. Whole night they did not get anything. Early in morning Jesus stood at the shore and asked them whether they have any meat. They said, "No!" He told them to cast their net at the right side of the ship. As they did they got multitudes of fishes. They all knew that it was Jesus. He already prepared bread and roasted fish of the fire for them and said giving them said eat. And they did eat. After eating Jesus straightway turned to Peter and asked three times the same question, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou more that these things? (Food). Peter three times answered that he loves him. Jesus told him then feed his lamb and sheep. Jesus reminded Peter his commitment which he made to Jesus that till end of his life he would not leave Jesus but serve him. **Jesus set Peter's Priorities right!** (John 21: 1-17). **He showed him that Jesus was his only provider and protector.** The greatest ministry of Jesus is **to restore us**. The work which he has started in us to complete that work and that is the reason he gave us the Holy Spirit (Philippians 1:6; I Thessalonians 5:24).

May our good Lord continue to bless you and your families! Prema and I love you so dearly and pray for you daily! Write us for we love to hear from you!

Remember, **Jesus is Lord** and take with you **the Word of God and Faith**, excellent traveling Companions.

(Psalms 119:105; II Corinthians 5:7).



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