

5th April 2021



WORD WITH SHARAD AND PREMA UNBELIEF



“1. And when he Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. 2. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun. 3. And they said among themselves, who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulcher? 4. And when they looked, they saw that he stone was rolled away: for it was very great” (Mark 16:1-4).

As those ladies were heading towards to tomb of Jesus where he was buried forgot the words of Jesus. After the confession of Peter about who Jesus was in Matthew chapter 16:16, “And Simon Peter answered and said, thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And couple of other places also Jesus told to his disciples that **he would be killed and would be raised from the dead on the third day (Matthew 16:210)**. But his disciples including these women forgot his words.

Forgetfulness is the root cause of unbelief. I believe that they just took the words of Jesus very lightly and thought that he was one among them who came here as a teacher from God and gone away for good like others. And that was the reason these women toll sweet spices to apply on the body of Jesus early in the morning.

Not only that, Peter the dynamic disciple also in unbelief took James, John and other disciples and went for fishing, their old business. What this shows? It clearly shows unbelief on the words of Jesus spoken to them when he was with them. Look what Peter said to other disciples, “Simon Peter saith unto them, I go fishing. They say unto him, we also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing” (John 21:3).

Here we see what other thing happened with **Mary Magdalene and Peter**. Both of them **failed to recognize Jesus** when they saw him after his resurrection. Here we see early in the morning Jesus stood at the shore of the Tiberias Sea. Even Jesus asked them, “Then Jesus saith unto them, children, have ye any meat? They answered him, no.”

Even Mary Magdalene, could not recognize resurrected Jesus. John chapter 20 we see that Mary Magdalene and other women went to the sepulcher but when they saw that the stone on the sepulchre was rolled away they went back and told Simon Peter about it. Then we know that Peter and John ran to the sepulchre and found Jesus` body was not there and they also went back. But Mary Magdalene stood there and saw in the sepulcher and she could see two angels there. After talking to angels she turned back and saw Jesus but she could not recognize him.

Both Peter and Mary Magdalene could not recognize Jesus. The result of unbelief: **1). Forgetfulness** and **2). Loss of ability to recognize**. But the beautiful thing of our Lord is that even after his resurrection he continued his ministry of restoration. **He wonderfully and beautifully restored Mary Magdalene and Peter back.**

Jesus gave us the Lord`s table to remember his sacrifice for us till he comes again! By participating in the Lord`s table we remember his sacrifice for our salvation and forgiveness of sins. Hallelujah! At any cost let us not walk in unbelief with Jesus.

May our good Lord continue to bless you, 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).

PRAY FOR US