



March 18 & 19, 2023

Easter People – Mary Magdalene

Icebreaker: What kind of funeral would you like to have?

Opening Discussion: Looking back on your Engage and Grow notebook or your notes from the message, what stands out to you the most?

Digging Deeper: Read *Luke 8:1-3 and John 20:10-18*

1. Discuss what Mary might have been like before meeting Jesus. What was Mary's purpose after Jesus healed her?
2. PK said gratitude is never silent and it is never invisible. Why is a life of gratitude indicative of the Christian life?
3. In the passage from John, why is Mary the first to the tomb? What caused her to "miss" the resurrection and not recognize Jesus? What finally breaks through her grief and confusion?
4. PK mentioned three things that Easter People know:
 - Faith is a gift from God
 - God works even in the darkest circumstances
 - We are trophies of God's grace

How does Mary show us these three truths and which one is most important to you right now?

5. God uses Mary to be the first evangelist to the evangelists (v.17). Why is it so comforting to know God uses broken, imperfect people – redeems them and then uses them for His glory? What does that mean for us as a fellowship of believers?

Moving Forward:

Recognize again what a broken sinner you are and yet also a trophy of God's grace to be used by Him to tell the world what He has done for you.

Prayer: