

EASTER SUNDAY · APRIL 5, 2026

BELIEVE

The Resurrection · John 20:1–29 (ESV)

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THE RESURRECTION

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*The resurrection shows us the importance
of believing in Christ,
even before we fully understand.*

JOHN 12:16 · FROM PALM SUNDAY

**“WHEN JESUS WAS
GLORIFIED,
THEN THEY
REMEMBERED.”**

We said this on Palm Sunday.

This echoes how understanding comes later.

JOHN 20:31

**“THESE ARE WRITTEN SO
THAT
YOU MAY BELIEVE THAT JESUS
IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF
GOD.”**

*This is why John wrote his Gospel,
so that we will believe in Christ.*

ESV PEW BIBLE
Turn to page

1077–1078

JOHN 20:1–18

*Let's read it together — follow in the pew bible
or bible of choice*

I · OBSERVATION — WHAT DOES THE TEXT SAY?

OBSERVATION

- O1** The Empty Tomb (vv.1–10)
- O2** Mary at the Tomb (vv.11–18)
- O3** Jesus Appears. Thomas Believes. (vv.19–29)

II · INTERPRETATION — WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

INTERPRETATION

I1 Belief Comes Before Understanding.

I2 Tears to Testimony.

I3 Blessed Are Those Who Have Not Seen.

III · APPLICATION — HOW SHOULD WE LIVE?

APPLICATION

- A1** Believe Even When You Don't Understand.
- A2** Grow in Understanding from Belief.
- A3** Go and Tell the World That Jesus Lives.

The tomb is empty. The cloths are folded.
Mary heard her name. Thomas saw the wounds.
These things happened so you believe.
That belief in Christ is faith. It is blessed.

He is risen.

He is risen indeed.



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