The Empty Tomb

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Introduction

- 1. Matthew 28:1-8
- 2. What does the world see in us?
 - 1. Numbers
 - 2. Building
 - 3. Preacher
 - 4. Activities
 - 5. Or Christ and Him crucified
- 3. The theme of the Bible and every sermon in the book of Acts is Christ and Him crucified.
- 4. One of the fundamentals of Christianity is the empty tomb Romans 1:4
- 5. It shows
 - 1. The courage of the women
 - 2. The care and concern of the women
 - 3. The finding of the Savior
- 6. What do we see when we look closely at the empty tomb?

II Discussion

- 1. Do we see the horrible consequence of sin?
 - 1. Sin separates us from God Isaiah 59:1-2
 - 2. There is a price to be paid for sin Romans 6:23; Galatians 6:7-8
 - 3. Ask these individuals if sin is worth the price Adam, Moses, Prodigal son
 - 4. Christ paid the price for sin 2 Corinthians 5:19; 1 Peter 1:18-19
- 2. Do we see the end of religious error? Acts 2:22
 - 1. Christ prayed for unity John 17:20-21
 - 2. What can we unite on?
 - 3. Ephesians 4:4-6
- 3. Do we see submission and sacrifice?
 - 1. Only Christ could carry out God's plan Hebrews 5:8-9; 9:28; 10:12
 - 2. Christ submitted to the plan of God John 5:30; Matthew 26:39, 42; Philippians 2:5-11 we should have the same mind
 - 3. Christ came to serve Matthew 20:28
- 4. Do we see the the tomb is still empty?
 - 1. The angels pointed to the empty tomb Matthew 28:6
 - 2. There is victory only in the empty tomb Hebrews 2:9, 14; Romans 6:3-4
 - 3. The empty tomb cannot be answered Acts 17:30-31
 - 4. The empty tomb proves
 - 1. There will be a judgment
 - 2. That God does exist
 - 3. The sovereignty of God

III Conclusion

- 1. The invitation of the tomb is still today Matthew 28:6
- 2. Have you responded to the empty tomb, by having your sins taken away?
- Why not now

Sources; Sermons preached at Hazel, 83; Batesville 85; Macon 91;