

Go And Tell

Mary Magdalene, Mary, Joanna & other women
Lois & Eunice
Priscilla
Lydia
Samaritan Woman

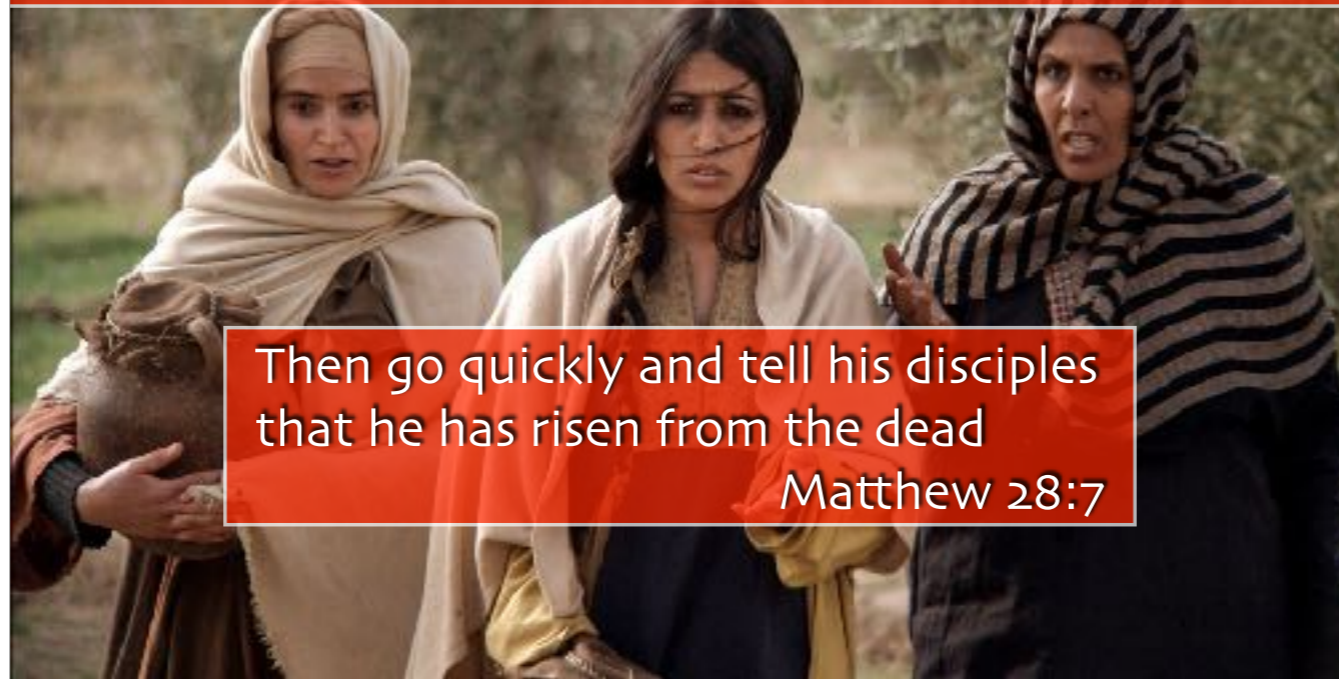




Mary Magdalene
Joanna
Mary (mother of James)
Other Women

- Women at the resurrection of Jesus
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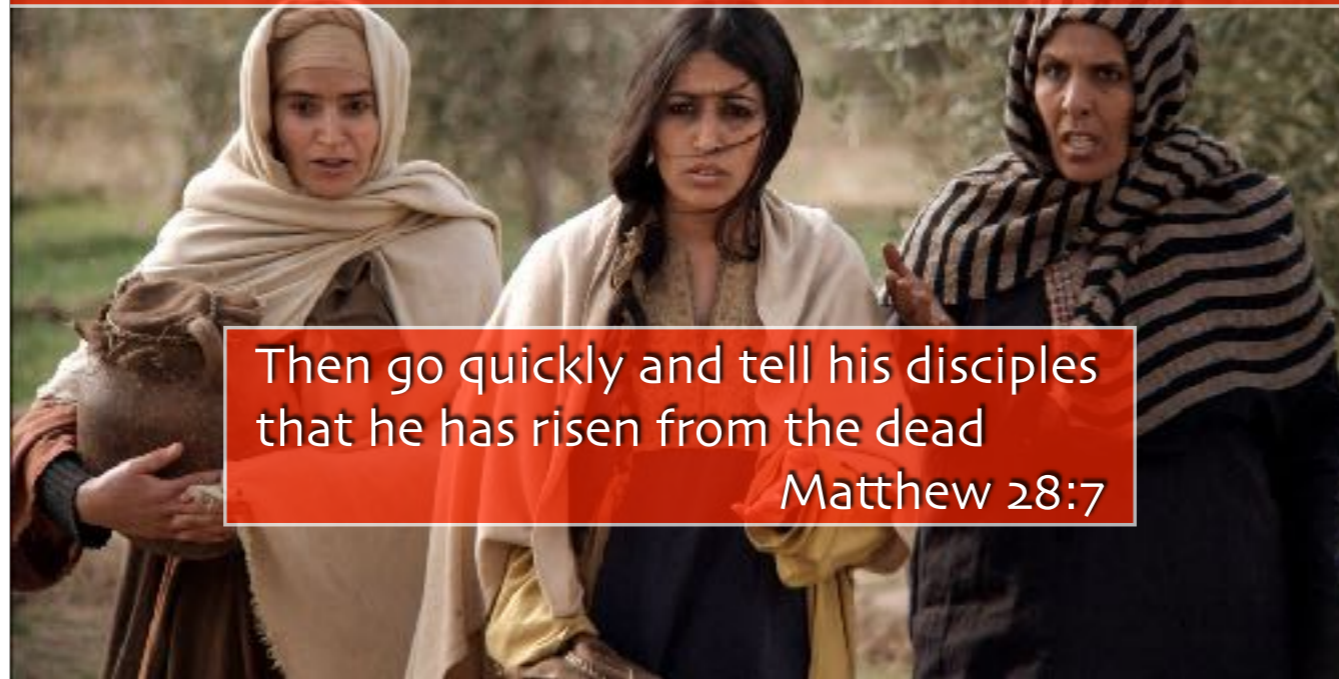
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• Matthew 28:7-10 (ESV)

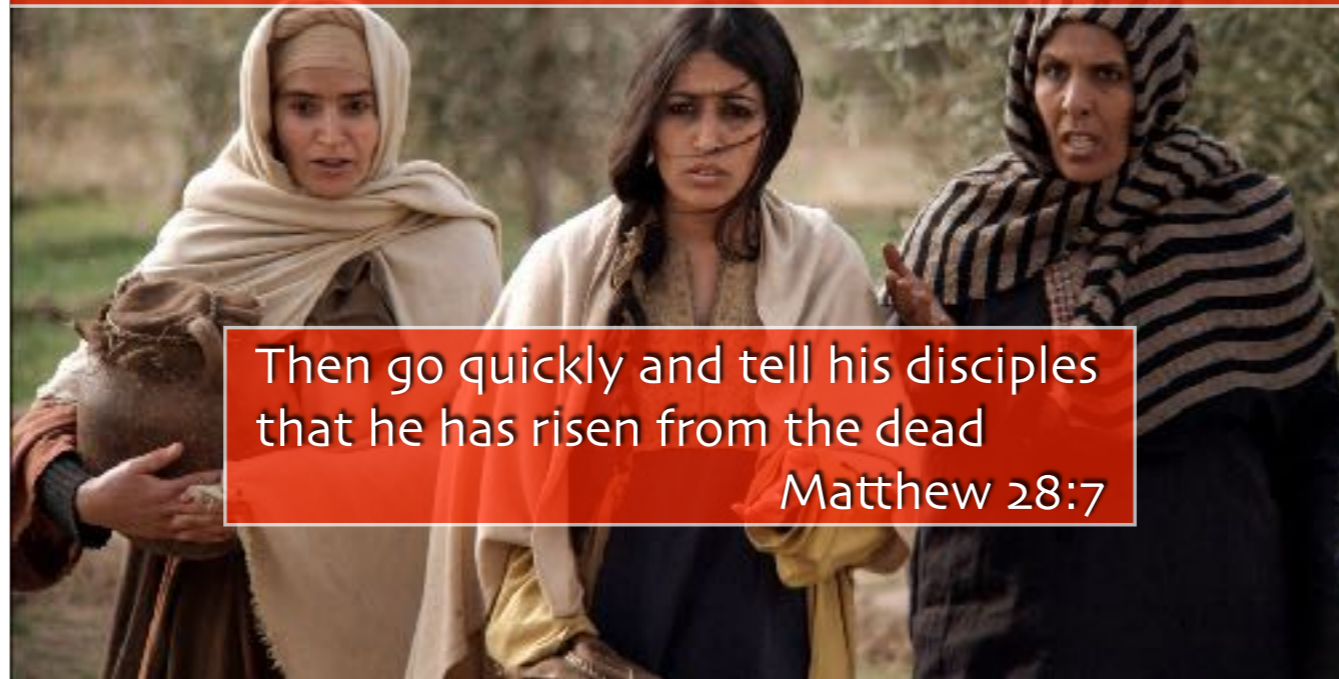
- 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.” 8
- So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy,
 - and ran to tell his disciples.
- 9 And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.
- 10 Then Jesus said to them,
 - “Do not be afraid;
 - go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

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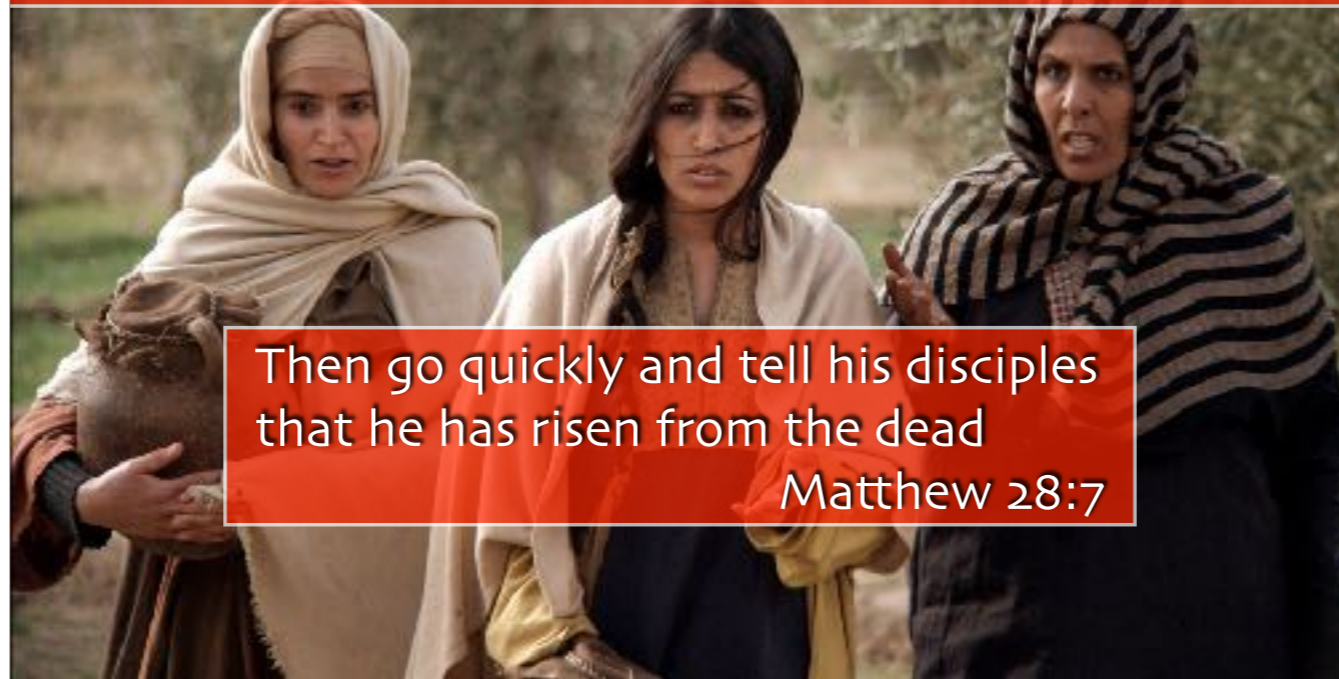
- Do not be afraid
- Why was this necessary?
- The truth is that even passing on good messages can be frightening.
 - We don't know how the message will be received.
 - Maybe it reflects our own insecurities, our lack of self-esteem?
 - Maybe it's about who we're talking to
 - Maybe it's about the nature of the message.

Mary Magdalene - Joanna - Mary - Other Women



- Luke 24:9-12 (ESV) 9 and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles,
 - 11 but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.
- an idle tale
- didn't believe

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- People aren't going to accept your message sometimes.
 - Our instructions are to go and teach and make disciples
 - Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV) 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
 - Sow the seeds, let the power of the word do it's work on their hearts



- Lois and Eunice

Lois & Eunice



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Acts 16:1

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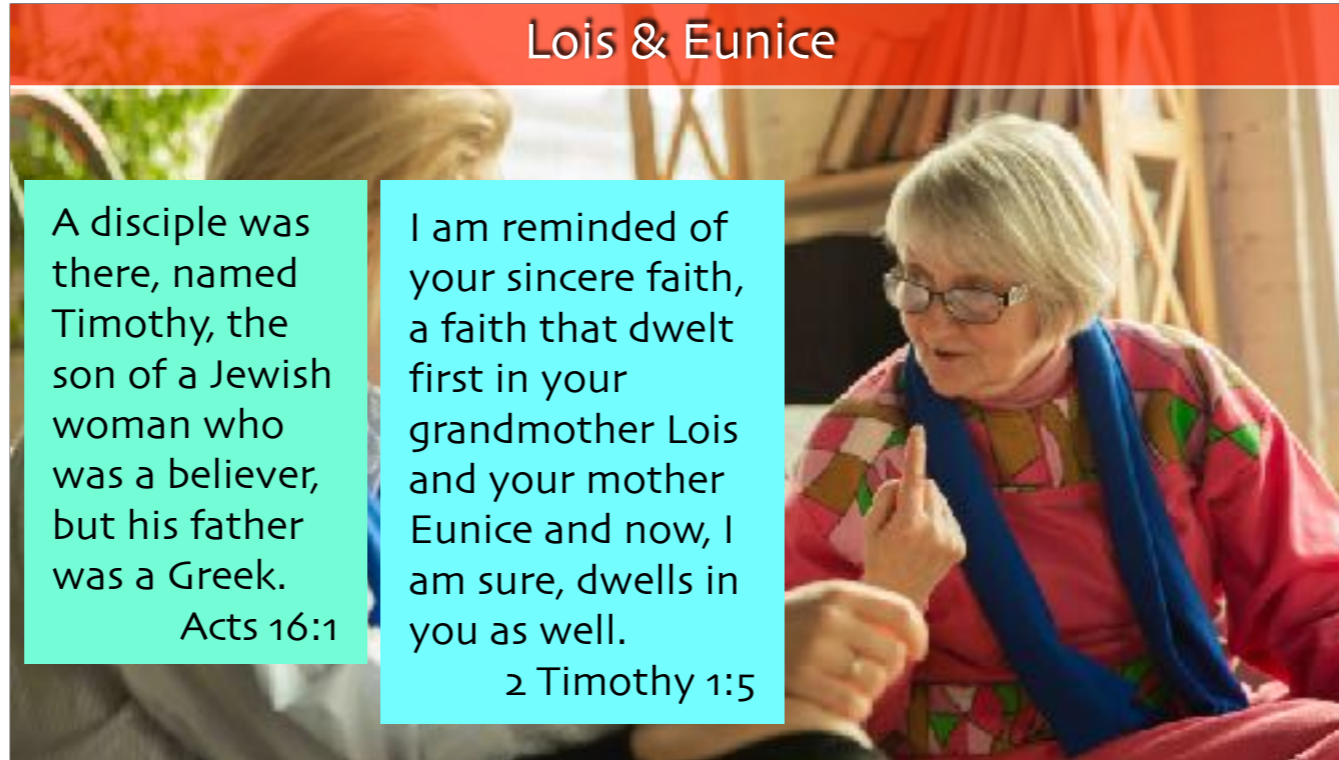
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- A family of faith
 - Grandmother (Lois) to Mother (Eunice) to Timothy
 - How does this happen?
 - Not by chance or accident.
 - And not always guaranteed results. As children grow they make their own choices.

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- Paul reminds Timothy of several things
 - The sacred writings
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

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- Too often if we merely follow the faith of those who taught us, we just end up assuming they are correct.
 - My faith is based on their faith.
 - This has some benefit as our faith grows, when we are infants and children in Christ.
 - Paul even emphasizes the importance of honoring the faith of those who have taught us
 - Family who love us and care about us

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- However, we might become trapped in the traditions and opinions of those who taught us
 - especially if we see them as being sincere
 - and if we don't take time to grow
- But faith that is best is faith in the revealed word.
- Start with the good foundation: the scriptures

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- From Childhood
 - Help your children and grandchildren to know the Sacred Writings
 - Deuteronomy 6:7 (ESV) 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.
- Acquainted: know
- Learned

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- Firmly believed

- This points to the purpose of the teaching
- Sadly we often miss this point.
- We often focus on knowledge, scope
- At a young age we start teaching strongly about Heaven and hell and sin and judgment and baptism
- And often what we teach them is fear.
 - I don't want to go to hell.

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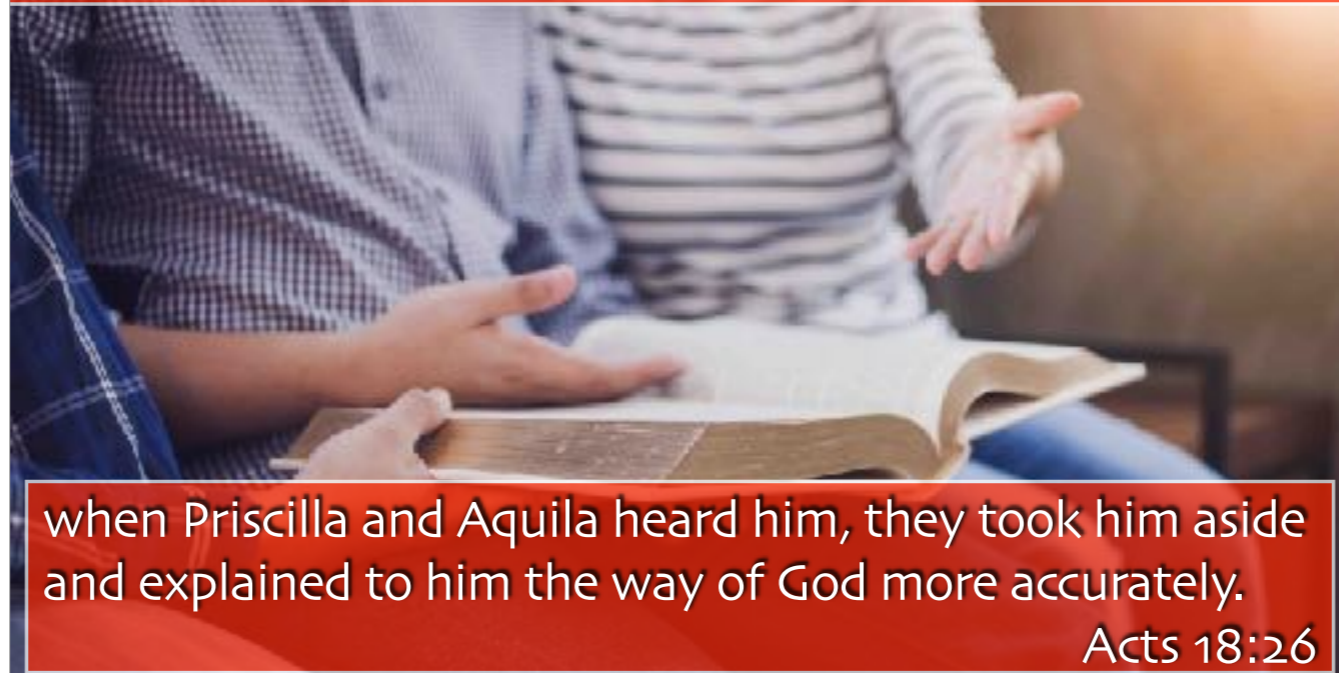
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- But we fail to teach them faith, and hope and salvation
 - Wise for salvation.
 - But this salvation is not just a one time moment
 - But a daily choice.
 - And that's why it's profitable, useful
 - teaching
 - reproof
 - correction
 - training in righteousness
 - equipped for every good work



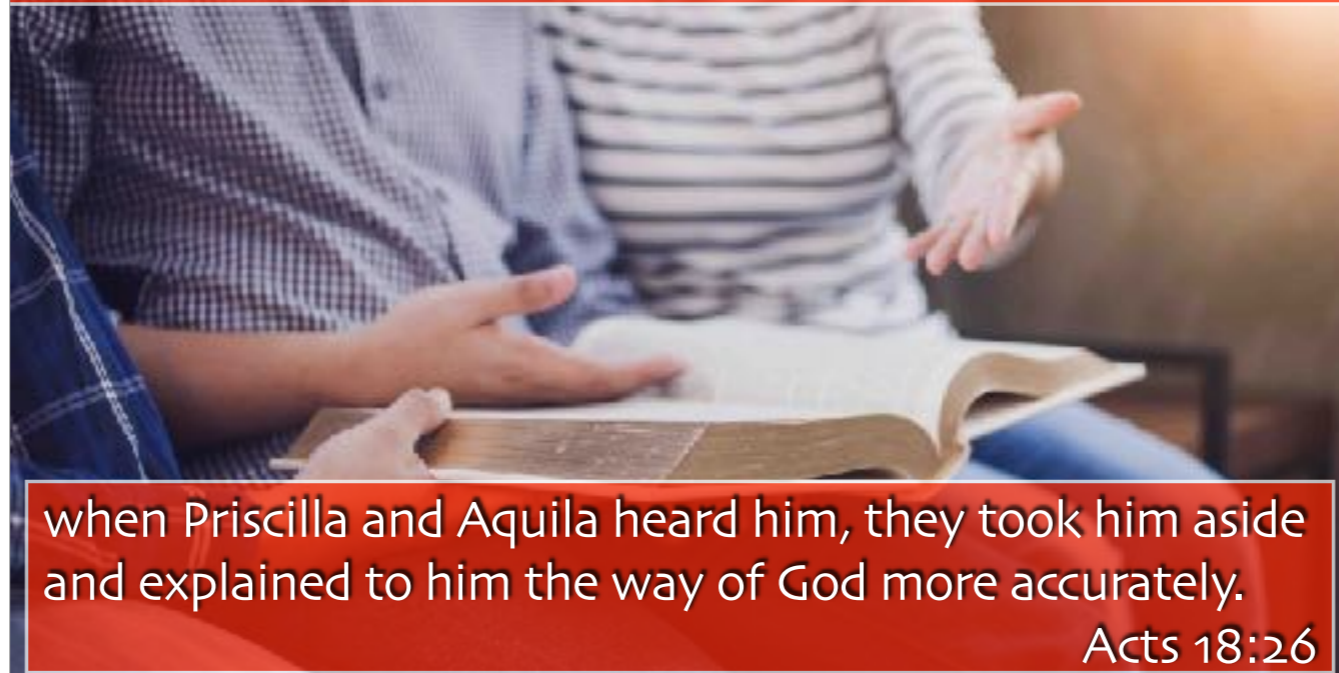
- Acts 18:24-28 (ESV) 24 Now a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was an eloquent man, competent in the Scriptures. 25 He had been instructed in the way of the Lord. And being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus, though he knew only the baptism of John. 26 He began to speak boldly in the synagogue, but when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. 27 And when he wished to cross to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him. When he arrived, he greatly helped those who through grace had believed, 28 for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, showing by the Scriptures that the Christ was Jesus.

Priscilla & Aquila



- We don't know when they became followers of Jesus.
- They **Listened** to Apollos' teaching carefully in synagogue
 - Eloquent
 - Competent in the Scriptures
 - Instructed in the way of the Lord
 - Fervent in spirit: spoke and taught accurately concerning Jesus
 - only knew baptism of John

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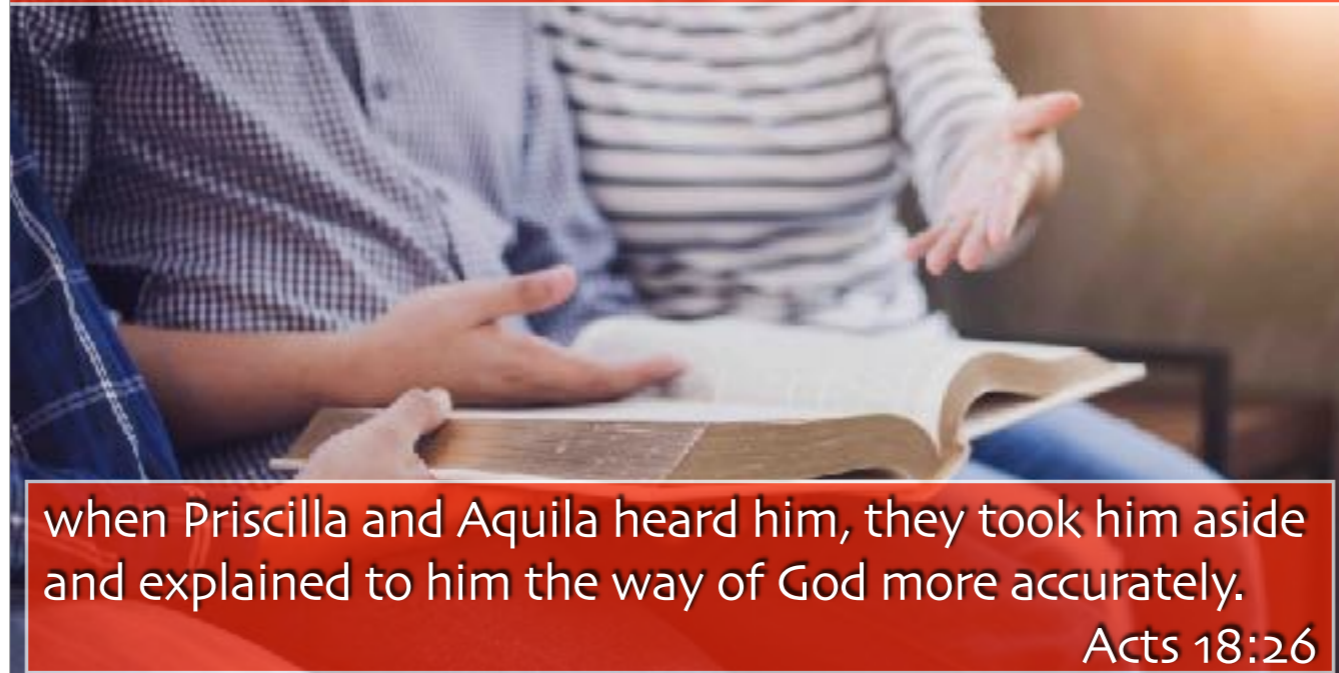


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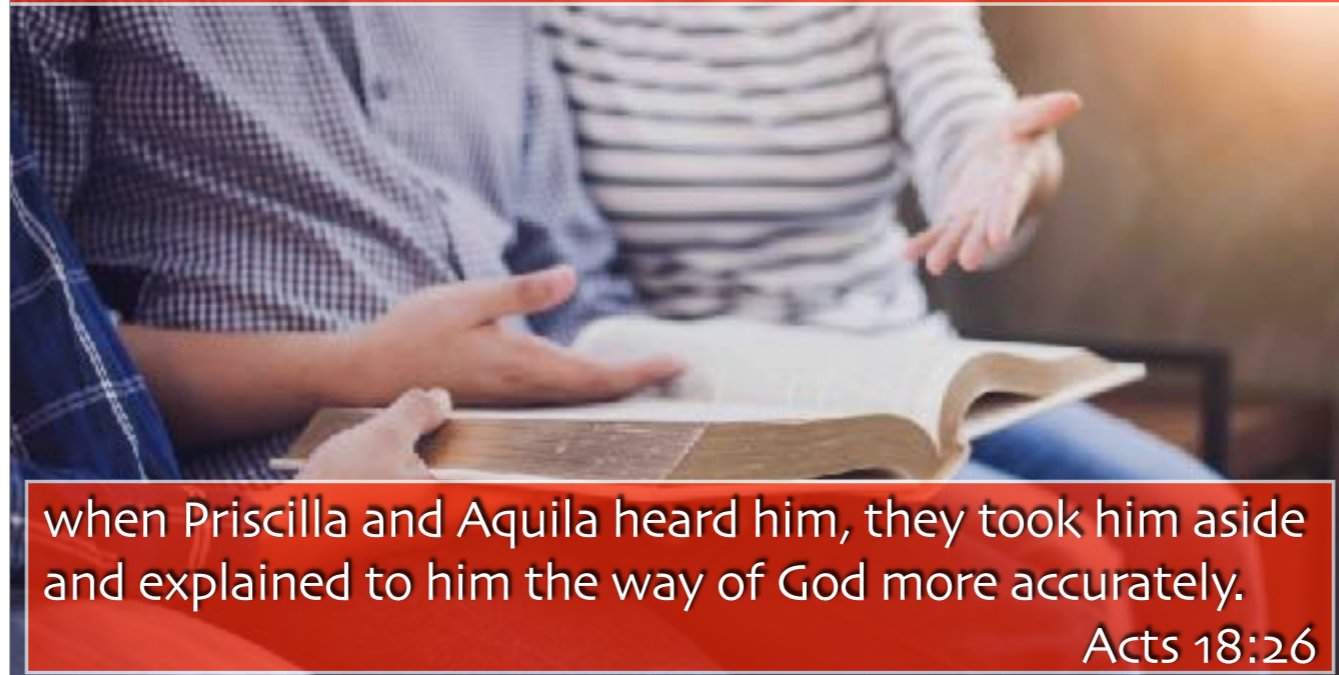
- They
 - took him aside (kindness, not quarreling)
 - explained way of God more accurately (teaching)
 - Romans 14:1 As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions.
 - 2 Timothy 2:14 Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers.

Priscilla & Aquila



- 2 Timothy 2:23-26 (ESV) 23 Have nothing to do with foolish, ignorant controversies; you know that they breed quarrels. 24 And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, 25 correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, 26 and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will.

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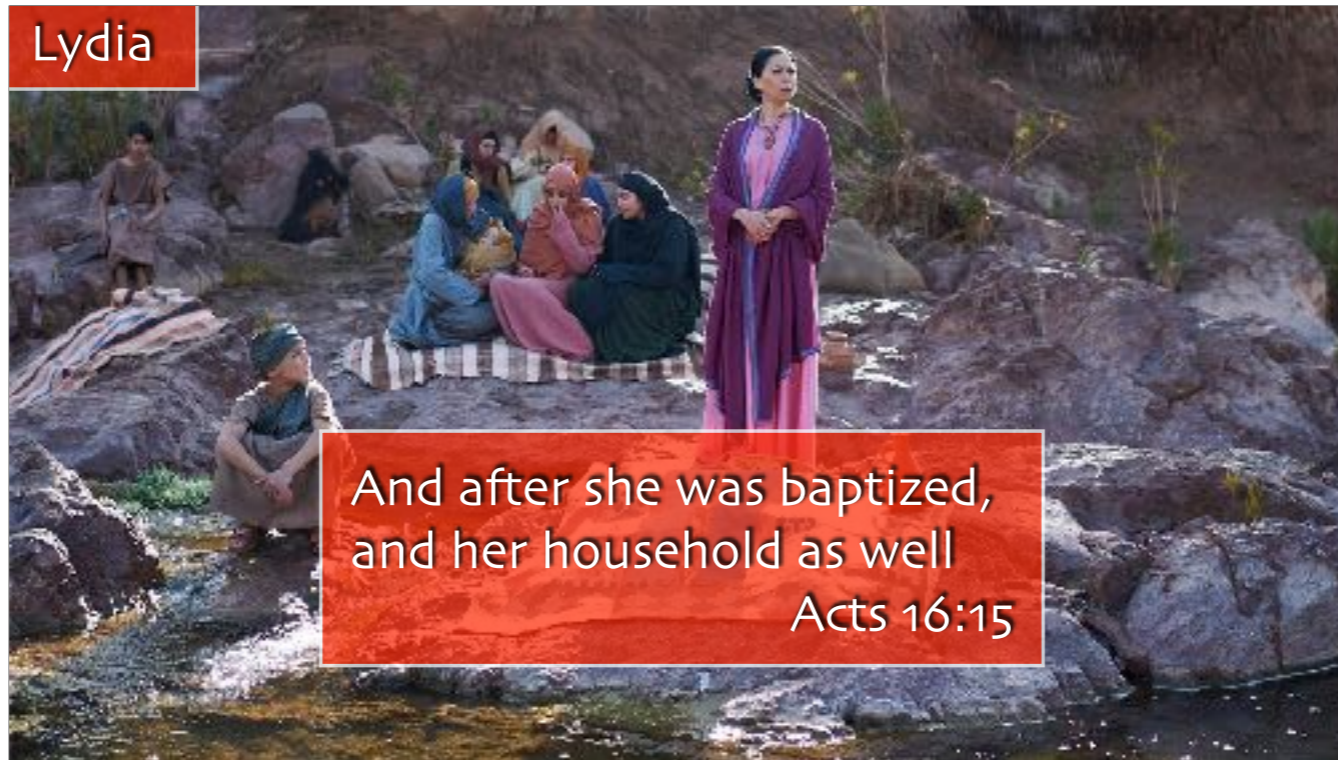
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- Why are we talking about “they”?
 - The way that this is written makes it clear to me that they worked as a team.
 - We aren’t told specifics ... but Priscilla was not idle or just an observer.
 - This is a great picture of what God intended: a couple working together to teach.



- Acts 16:11-15 (ESV) 11 So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, 12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. 13 And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. 14 One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. 15 And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.



- Lydia
 - The Lord opened her heart to pay attention
 - Baptized
 - Household as well
 - Were they at the river also?
 - Or did she go home and share what she had heard
 - Not only did she pay attention, but she made sure to pass on the message
 - somehow
 - but in a way that others heard also



The Samaritan Woman

- A Town
- John 4:25-26 (ESV) 25 The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” 26 Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”
- John 4:28-30 (ESV) 28 So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, 29 “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” 30 They went out of the town and were coming to him.
- John 4:39-42 (ESV) 39 Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.” 40 So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. 41 And many more believed because of his word. 42 They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

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John 4:39

- Woman with a complicated spiritual relationship with Jehovah
- Jesus speaks to her of eternal life
 - living water
 - a spring of water welling up to eternal life
- He speaks of her sin (?)
 - call your husband ... 5 husbands ... one now is not your husband
 - This knowledge of her personal life is a seminal moment
 - Thinks Jesus is a prophet

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Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did."
John 4:39

- But when Jesus teaches her about true worshippers ... she indicates that she not only knows of the Messiah, but is waiting for him to come and learn from him.
 - And Jesus tells her that he is the Messiah
- Disciples arrive and woman leaves back to town



- She invites the town to come investigate this one who could be the Christ.
 - So maybe this isn't teaching ...
 - But she certainly believed "many more believed because of his word" (41)
 - Certainly she is persuaded that Jesus is special and she wants to share him with others.
 - And the town learns when they hear Jesus talk during a two day stay ... Savior of the world

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- She had tasted of the living waters
 - John 4:13-15 (ESV) 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." 15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."
 - And she shared them with others

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- Again ... not teaching per se.
 - She spoke of Him to others
 - She pointed others to Jesus boldly and with reason.
- And really that's all any of us can do.
 - And it's the greatest thing we can do for anyone.
 - Always point others to the Savior of the World.



- You have a role in the kingdom.
- Jesus needs you to talk.
- Your voice matters
 - Family, Brethren, Friends, Community
- Go and tell.

We implore you
on behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Call to Action

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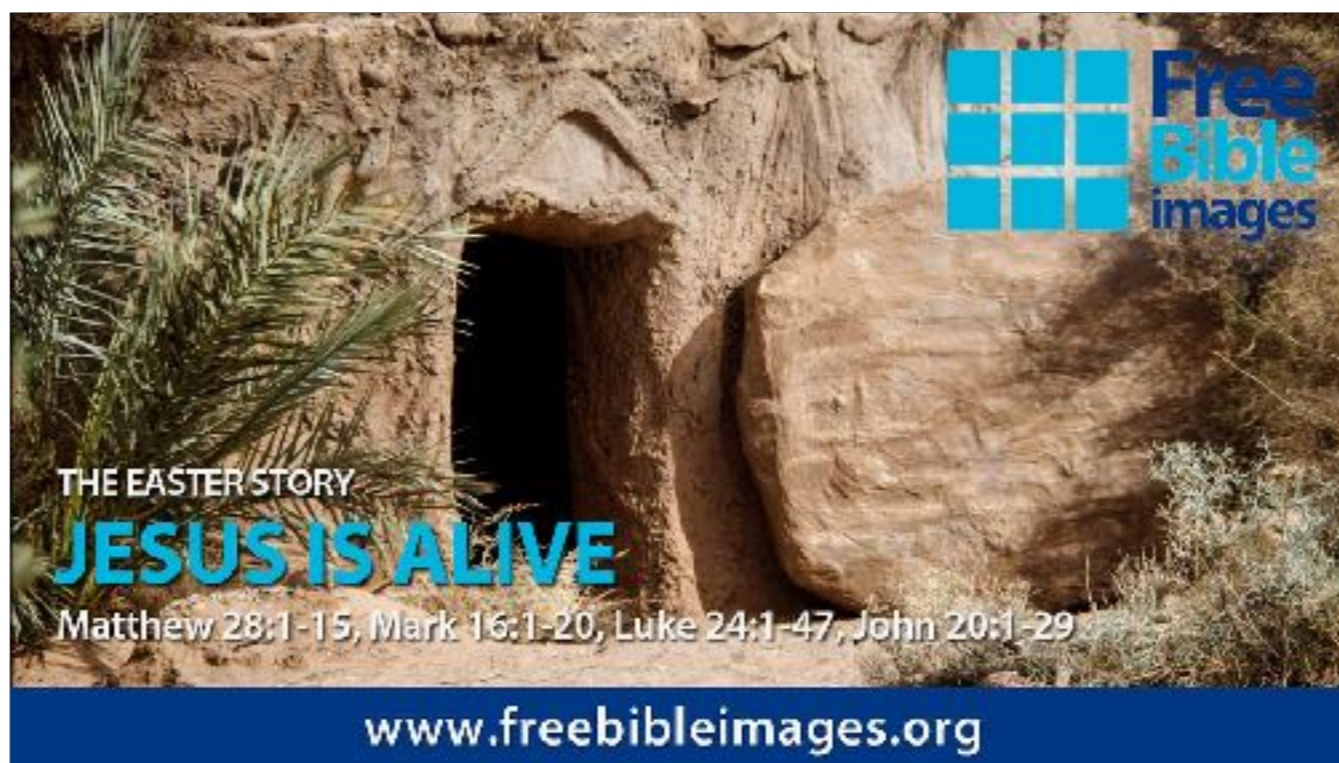
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JESUS IS ALIVE

Matthew 28:1-15, Mark 16:1-20, Luke 24:1-47, John 20:1-29

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JESUS TALKS WITH A SAMARITAN WOMAN

John 4:1-42

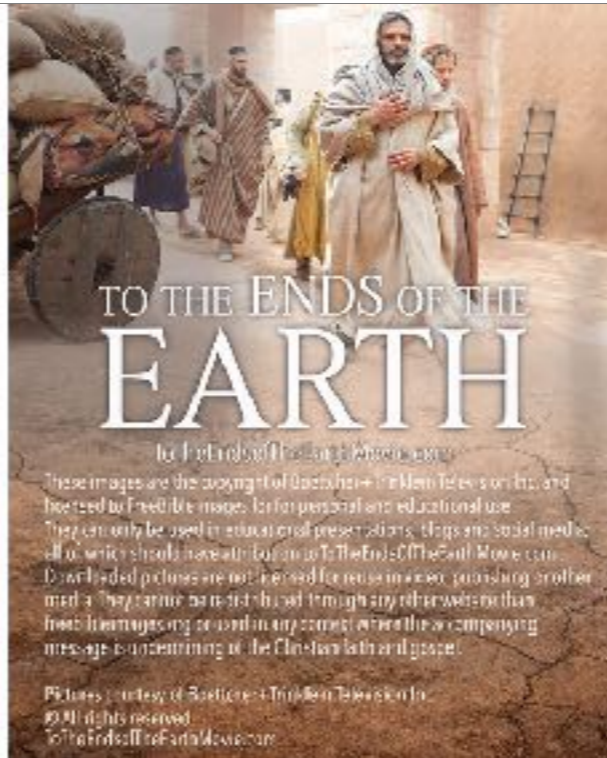
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Synopsis: Using the examples of the women at the resurrection; Lois and Eunice; Priscilla; Lydia and the Samaritan woman this lesson reminds us of the power of teaching in every aspect of our lives.

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“Let all that you do be done with love.”