

AWAKEN TO LIFE

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INTRODUCTION

Awakening to Life

KEY POINT: The resurrection invites us to wake up to something new

Luke's gospel: A message of hope for all people

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (Luke 4:18-19)

TEXT: Luke 23:50-24:12

- **Today doesn't have to be a continuation of yesterday**

Our lives don't have to be defined by our yesterdays
Power for something different

- **His triumph changes everything**

DEATH DOESN'T HAVE TO WIN
OUR BROKENNESS DOESN'T HAVE TO DEFINE US
OUR SIN DOESN'T HAVE TO UNDO US

He who was whole was broken so that we who are broken might be whole

Changes us at the core of who we are

- **We are invited to experience the power of His life**

Stone rolled away not so Jesus could get out but so that we could look in

Affirmations:

- We are worth more than we imagine
- We are loved more than we imagine
- We are wanted more than we imagine

Awakening to His Life

1. It begins with a decision to turn our lives toward Jesus

He waits for us to come

2. Living in a new direction – following Him

Living our lives in line with His life

Allowing Him to transform our hearts, our lives, our families, etc...

CONCLUSION

This day doesn't have to be like yesterday

IMAGINE: Our tomorrows can be different!

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RESPONSE: Allow His resurrection to change my tomorrows