



Jesus Is A Personal Savior

Matthew 28:5-7, 20

5 Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. 7 And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you."

20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Illustration:

A personal trainer/coach provides:

- A plan = Instruction, workout plans, strategies.
- Motivation = Right mindset. Commitment. Determination. Discipline. Obedience.
- Recovery = To overcome what comes your way and recover to get up and carry out your plans again the next day, the next week, the next month.
- Care = Proper rest and nutrition.

The Key: When we _____ the personal trainer/coach, our focus will be on the right things doing it the right way.

WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT THE PERSONAL TOUCH OF JESUS:

1. When you feel like you have _____ your _____ in this life, _____ shows up.

John 20:11-14

11 But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. 12 And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. 13 Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." 14 Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus.

There may be times in our life where we become _____ by our _____.

John 20:15-16

15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher).

_____ always overcomes _____.

John 20:17-18

17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'" 18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT THE PERSONAL TOUCH OF JESUS:

2. When you are _____ the wrong _____, _____ shows up.

Luke 24:13-17

13 Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened. 15 So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. 17 And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?"

Matthew 18:20

(Jesus said) For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.

At some point you must _____ Jesus to _____ with you.

Luke 24:28-31a

28 Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. 29 But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them. 30 Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him...

WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT THE PERSONAL TOUCH OF JESUS:

3. When you have _____, they do not push _____ away, _____ shows up.

John 20:24-25

25 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

_____ brought _____ to Thomas.

John 20:26-29

26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" 27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

John 11:16

Then Thomas, who is called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with Him."

Conclusion:

Jesus is a personal Savior—the trainer, the coach to lead us to victory.

What do you need Jesus to be in your life right now?: _____

Reflection:

1. What are you allowing to be your guide, your trainer, your coach, at this point in your life?

2. Think about what it would look like in your life if you allowed Jesus to be your personal trainer-coach?