Week 15: What's Your Response?
Series: John
Scripture: John 20:1-9

What is your response to the empty tomb?

Do you respond with _____?

- Mary Magdalene (20:1-2)
- Defined: a _____ made without any _____,
- Mary "saw" = _____ = to catch a _____ vision.

Do you respond with _____?

- Simon Peter (20:6-7)
- Peter "saw" = _____ = to view as a _____
- Peter _____ the scene without coming to a definitive _____.

Do you respond with _____?

- The "other disciple" (20:8)
- he "saw" = _____ = to perceive, to _____, to discern, to _____.
- Went in saw, _____ and believed.

TALK IT OVER

Start talking.

- When something upsets you, who is the first one you tell?

Start thinking. Read John 20:1-9

- As Mary, having seen Jesus' torturous death, what is your emotional state two days later? Why do you visit the tomb so early? Realizing the body is gone, how do you react?
- What does "the other disciple" (likely John, the author) believe? Why?

Start sharing.

- When someone you love dies, how does the resurrection of Jesus help you to deal with your pain?
- What do you rely on for evidence that Jesus rose from the dead?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

Heavenly Father, thank You that no one is beyond Your ability and desire to be saved by grace through faith in Christ, and thank You that You are ready and willing to use anyone whose heart is open towards You. Increase my longing and love for You and help me to live by faith and not by sight. Thank You that Your Word is altogether true and trustworthy and prevent me from being influenced by the circumstances that surround me rather than looking to Jesus and trusting Your Word. Thank You that I have been born anew and placed into Your eternal family. Look down in compassion and grace on lost souls and bring many more into Your kingdom. This I pray for Christ's sake, AMEN.

Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week

- Pay attention to moments where you can listen for the voice of God to lead you to put faith in him and walk in that faith.