



THE RESURRECTION

Episode 2

Summary

St. John Paul II urged us to rediscover the Rosary in light of Scripture. When we do this well, the Mysteries come alive, the past is made present and their saving power is released. The Risen Lord appears for 40 days to reveal the triumph of God's love over evil, to set their hearts on fire with his interpretation of the Scriptures, to make himself known in the breaking of the bread, and to breathe the Holy Spirit on the apostles - a spirit of pardon and peace. He gave them his Divine Power to forgive sin. He dispels their doubts, increases their faith, and strengthens them in order to send them out to all the nations. He continues his formation of Peter, the Rock to feed the flock! Jesus built the Church to last through the storms of the centuries and to give us the promise of everlasting GLORY!

Quotes

"We have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father."
- **Pope St. John Paul II**

"If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain... If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins."
- **1 Corinthians 15:14-19**

Scripture

"Beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself." - **Luke 24:27**

"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." - **John 20:23**

"Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death." - **1 Corinthians 15:24-26**

Discussion Questions

1. *Where did the Holy Spirit move most profoundly in your heart during this episode?*
2. *How essential is the Resurrection to your faith personally? Have you allowed the reality of your own resurrection and glorified body to enter deeply into your belief? Do you believe you will receive a spiritual body, a glorified body, and be clothed in immortality?*
3. *How do you think these encounters with the Risen Lord impacted the apostles and disciples? How does the reality of the Resurrection change how we live, what we live for, and how we evangelize in our lives today?*

Resolution

Let us pray for the grace to recognize the resurrections in our own lives, to taste and see the glory of God! May we receive the gifts the Risen Lord offers for our salvation: the gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the light to understand the Scriptures, and to see him more clearly in the breaking of the bread. Let us go forth in haste, running to tell the world of a God who is infinitely good. The last enemy has been defeated. Death has been swallowed up in Victory! Jesus is Risen as He said! Alleluia!

