

## FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION (John 20:1-31)

1. Was there anything particular in this text that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?  
If so, what was it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?
2. Consider the different gospel accounts of Jesus' resurrection - what are some of the similarities & differences between them?  
As you consider John's account, how do the included/excluded details support his purpose in writing this book?
3. As the risen Jesus interacts with Mary, it isn't until He calls her by name that she realizes it's her risen Lord (remember John 10).  
What practical steps can we take to hear, know, & rightly discern the voice of the Good Shepherd when He's speaking to us?
4. How does "The Great Commission" in John 20:21-23 compare with the other gospel accounts (specifically Matthew 28:18-20)?  
Does this commission - given to the disciples - apply to us, & what is the significance of Jesus giving the gift of the Holy Spirit?
5. Look at Jesus' interactions with His disciples throughout this chapter - how do His words reveal His love & care for them?  
How does the Lord specifically meet them in their weaknesses, and how does this encourage you in your life?
6. In John 20:30-31, John writes that Jesus did many other signs not written in this book, but also shares why he wrote the book!  
What is the reason for his writing, and how is the Gospel succinctly and wonderfully articulated in these verses?
7. Below are the "So What?" statements from the end of the sermon.  
Do any of these particularly encourage, convict, challenge, you, and if so, how?  
Why Does The Resurrection Matter?
  1. It fulfills Jesus' claims & many other Biblical prophecies!
  2. It reveals the victory of Jesus' sacrifice over sin & death!
  3. It proves that Jesus is the sinless, eternal Son of God!
  4. It provides a hope for our future resurrection in Jesus!**LET'S ALL LIVE OUR LIVES WITH THIS HOPE IN MIND!**