Matthew 28:1-15 International Bible Lesson Applications

1. The fact that the disciples were not easily convinced that Jesus had risen from the dead gives us a good reason to believe that He did.

2. The disciples did not believe the women and disobeyed Jesus' command to go to Galilee; therefore, Jesus appeared to them in Jerusalem to convince them that He had indeed risen, and they were to go to Galilee—where He did meet them as He promised. The Bible gives us many good reasons to obey Jesus and the Scriptures without our needing to see Him.

3. Jesus must have risen from the dead to change people's lives and turn them from grieving to rejoicing. Because He lives, He does the same today in the hearts of those who trust Him.

4. As they study the Bible, believers in Jesus know they are better than they used to be because Jesus' Spirit is working in them and helping them.

5. Even today, for money, for power, for prestige, and for other reasons, some will refuse to believe in Jesus as Lord, and they will refuse to obey the Bible—they will sometimes also tell lies about Jesus and His followers.

Your Application – Your Takeaway Notes

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