

THE FIRST LORD'S DAY

MARK 16. 1-7

What can we learn from the worshipers the day Christ was raised?

1) They had DESIRE

They had no instructions.

Throughout the scriptures we're shown the disposition of the worshiper leads the act of worship.

Jo. 4. 24: "In **spirit** and **truth**."

Some examples:

2Co. 9. 7: "**cheerful giver**." He. 10. 24: and let us consider one another in order to stir up **love and good works**.

2Th. 2. 10: "...they refuse to **love** the **truth**."

Mr. 16. 16: "He who **believes** and is **baptized**."

2) They were PREPARED

Lk. 23. 55-Lk. 24. 1

They made a plan and they were organized.

The day before the Sabbath was called the 'Day of Preparation.'

Israel got prepared to enter Canaan.

David got prepared to fight Goliath.

How many times have God's people gone into battle...

But not before they prepared first.

3) They had FAITH (commitment)

- Mark 16. 3-4
- Notice Mark 15. 46-47



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Mt. 16. 8: O ye of little faith, why do you reason among yourselves?

Mt. 28. 1-4

We must have the faith to believe God will roll away the stones we don't have the power to roll away.

We must learn to trust God.

The first Lord's Day featured worshipers who overcame adversity, discouragement, their own limitations, fear, the temptation to reason among themselves and likely other obstacles.

4) They were OBEДИENT

Lk. 23. 56: “And they rested on the Sabbath, according to the commandment.”

Ex. 20. 3: You shall have no other gods before me, and v8: Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.

5) They sought JESUS

- Matthew 28. 5-6
- Mark 16. 1: they bought spices that they might come and anoint HIM.
- They didn't go to the tomb to see what they could get out of it.
- They went to serve.
- They weren't going to church.
- They were going to worship.