The Power of Life, Community, and Destiny

Acts 1:12-14

The New Testament

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

ACTS

Romans

1 & II Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1 & 11 Thessalonians

1 & Il Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

I & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

- I. Life <u>begins</u> where fear ends.
 - A. Luke 24:52-53: They were continually in the temple <u>blessing</u> God.
 - B. Is there a <u>conflict</u> in Luke 24:53 and Acts 1:13?
 - C. They were becoming more <u>bold</u>.
 - D. RCH Lenski: "They were not bereaved but enriched."

- II. People come alive when community happens and they know they <u>belong</u>.
 - A. The church is the community of faith built on the <u>foundation</u> of Jesus Christ.

 I Corinthians 3:11
 - B. Paul would later write in Ephesians 5:1-10...
 - C. The purpose of teaching the fullness of grace and truth in Jesus is to <u>build</u> each other up.

- III. When people know they belong they discover not only identity, but <u>destiny</u>.
 - A. The <u>11</u> belonged.
 - B. The women belonged.
 - C. Mary the mother of Jesus and His <u>brothers</u> belonged.

Let's be the people who:

Introduce others to the Risen Christ who breaks off fear.

<u>See</u> with the eyes of Jesus those who question if they belong and break off the lie.

<u>Call</u> others to embrace who they are becoming in Christ.

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