



Sermon series: The First Words of Jesus  
Text: John 20:1-18  
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## **The Great Reversal**

***Big Idea: The resurrection promises that all our sorrow will turn to joy.***

**The resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus can do the impossible.**

*Takeaway: The resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ the limits we put on God.*

**The resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ us that Jesus is with us in every situation. (Psalm 34:18)**

*Takeaway: It's in the deepest valleys that we find Jesus to be \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Jesus' resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ that sorrow has an expiration date. (Psalm 30:5; Revelation 21:4)**

1. *Because of the resurrection there is a limit to all our \_\_\_\_\_.*
2. *Because of the resurrection there is no limit to our \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Jesus' resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ that sorrow leads to joy. (John 16:20; 2 Cor. 4:17)**

*Takeaway: All our sorrow can be \_\_\_\_\_ with hope.*

“Not only will he remedy what’s wrong in your life and bring glorious order to the mess and vanquish your foe, but he will make your pain, your grief, your loss, your burden, through the deep magic of resurrection, to be a real ingredient in your everlasting joy. When he wipes away every tear, our faces glisten more brilliantly than if we never would have cried.”-David Mathis

*What are some of your favorite comeback stories? In what ways is Jesus' resurrection the ultimate comeback story?*

*When Jesus asks the question “Why are you weeping?” it feels like we could answer that question in lots of different ways. What are sources of sorrow or heartache in your own life currently?*



*What type of limits do you tend to put on God? What are things you might start to believe that He cannot do? How do you balance the tension of believing that all things are possible with God while knowing that there are things you want God to do that He may not do?*

*Do you agree that Jesus is often the nearest to us in our deepest valleys? Does it always feel that way? Why or why not?*

*How can knowing that sorrow has a limit and joy has no limit enable you to better face times of sorrow and joy in this life?*

*Have you seen examples in your own life of how Jesus has turned sorrow into joy?*

*What's the biggest way that Jesus' resurrection provides you with hope as you go through life?*

*If we talk about the resurrection as the Great Reversal, what are other things that the resurrection reverses beyond turning sorrow to joy?*