



Place your hope in the God of surprising outcomes!

Easter Sunday, April 21 2019 AVBC 10:30 am

- A- Acknowledge Christ's power to make a way through the maze.
- M - Maintain a firm grip on the Word of God.
- A- Acept the support of others along the way.
- Z- Zoom in on the good stuff in your life.
- I- Ignore the stuff that is cluttering up your life.
- N- Navigate your next step by heading towards God's grace.
- G- Grab hold of the One who understands the struggle you are going through.
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-Mark 16:1-7, John 11:41-44

He still _____ the _____ away!

-Matthew 27:62-66; 28:1-4

*Stone of R _____ (John 3:3)

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Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven. (Matthew 10:32-33)

*Stone of S _____ and G _____ (Mark 2:17)

If we say we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and refusing to accept the truth. But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong. (1 John 1:8,9)

*Stone of D _____ C _____

*He still rolls the stone away,
He still changes hearts that will pray;
If you're bound by sin's prison you don't have to stay,
He still rolls the stone away.*

DIGGING DEEPER

(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group)

- Q1: Have you ever been SURPRISED by someone or something? If so, explain.
- Q2: Pastor David said that God is unpredictable and untamable. Have you found that to be true in your life? If so, how?
- Q3: We explored several potential STONES or road-blocks that might hinder someone from coming to faith in Christ. Have you struggled with one of the four mentioned? If so, which one? What other kinds of "stones" might keep people from connecting to Jesus?
- Q4: Read through the crucifixion account in Mark 15:16-38. What kinds of "cursing" did Jesus have to endure as described in this passage? Did anything new jump off the page to you when it comes to what happened at the crucifixion?
- Q5: Read Luke 24:1-35. In these two post-resurrection accounts, what strikes you about Jesus or about those who encountered him? How do you see yourself in the story?
- Q6: Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-28. What did the resurrection of Christ accomplish? How are you personally encouraged by this passage?

AMAZING WRAP-UP CELEBRATION ...NEXT WEEK!

Next Sunday we will be concluding our "A Maze To Amazing" series. It is going to be a powerful morning as we reflect upon what God has taught us and share how He has been at work. Please consider the following three questions and come prepared next week to share...to the glory of God!

- Q1: *How have you seen the Lord at work in the midst of your maze?*
- Q2: *What passage of scripture has the Lord used to encourage, strengthen or guide you?*
- Q3: *Of the 8 action steps laid out in this series, which one has been the most helpful to you? How?*