



# MISSION CITY

## BIBLE CHURCH

**Date:** Sunday, April 16, 2023

**Title:** Assurance: The King's Presence with His People

**Series:** Risen King: The Presence & Witness of Jesus

**Passage:** Luke 24:36-49

**Big Idea:** The risen King appeared to his doubting people to give them assurance of God's plan for them.

### 1. The Presence of Jesus brings \_\_\_\_\_ (v36-38)

"but when they saw him walking on the sea, they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." Mark 6:49-50

"The LORD is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:5b-7

### 2. The Presence of Jesus brings \_\_\_\_\_ (v39-43)

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1

### 3. The Presence of Jesus brings \_\_\_\_\_ (v44-49)

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." Matthew 5:17

Jesus Opens:

The eyes of the blind (Matt 9:27-31, Mark 8:22-26, John 9:1-41)

The ears of the deaf (Mark 7:31-37)

The mouths of the mute (Mark 7:31-37, Matt 9:32-33)

The way to God (John 14:6)

The minds of the disciples (Luke 24:45)

The heavens (Rev 19:11-16)

"Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True." Revelation 19:11

"On his robe and on his thigh, he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords." Revelation 19:16



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**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1. When you hear the word **faith**, what do you think of? What are the sorts of things into which we put faith?
2. How does Hebrews 11:1-3 define faith?
3. The death of Jesus confused and troubled his disciples (v38). They had believed Jesus was the promised Messiah but now He was dead, and hope seemed lost. When is a time you've felt a sense of overwhelming loss that left your soul troubled?
4. When the disciples realized that Jesus rose from the grave, what assurances did that give them? How do those assurances transfer to or apply to the losses and troubles you face?
5. How does Philippians 4:5b-7 speak into your anxieties and doubts?
6. Jesus conquered the grave to secure eternal life for those who believe (John 11:25), and the benefits of that victory are not just for the future; they are also for today. How does Jesus's victory over death impact the struggles you face today?

7. Fill in the blanks:

Verse	What did Jesus open?
Luke 24:45	
Matt 9:27-31 and Mark 8:22-26	
Mark 7:31-37?	
Matt 9:32-33?	
	Jesus opened our way to God

**Application:**

- A) According to Mark 10:45, for what two reasons did Jesus come?
- B) If we are to live like Jesus, what should you be doing?
- C) Consider the attached chart. What elements of Jesus-like character will you ask the Holy Spirit to grow in you?
- D) What actionable steps can you take this week to be more like Jesus?

# ELEMENTS OF JESUS-LIKE CHARACTER



<p><b>CONTENT</b> VS. COVETING Satisfied with what God has given me <i>Philippians 4:11-13</i></p>	<p>CHARACTER QUALITY — <b>GENEROUS</b> OPPOSING QUALITY — VS. SELFISH DEFINITION — Offering the best to everyone without restraint BIBLICAL BASIS — <i>Acts 20:35</i></p>			<p><b>COURAGEOUS</b> VS. FEARFUL Confident to face difficult situations <i>Deuteronomy 31:6</i></p>	<p><b>CREATIVE</b> VS. FRUITLESS Resourceful and imaginative in all circumstances <i>Exodus 31:1-5</i></p>		
<p><b>DEPENDABLE</b> VS. UNRELIABLE Consistent, faithful, and reliable <i>Luke 16:10</i></p>	<p><b>DILIGENT</b> VS. LAZY Working hard to thoroughly accomplish a task <i>Hebrews 6:11-12</i></p>	<p><b>DISCERNING</b> VS. NEGLECTFUL Knowing right from wrong &amp; following God in difficult situations <i>James 3:13</i></p>	<p><b>ENCOURAGING</b> VS. BELITTLING Building others up with words and actions <i>Ephesians 4:29</i></p>	<p><b>FORGIVING</b> VS. REJECTING Demonstrating the mercy of Jesus to others <i>Mark 11:25</i></p>			
<p><b>GENEROUS</b> VS. SELFISH Offering the best to everyone without restraint <i>Acts 20:35</i></p>	<p><b>HUMBLE</b> VS. PROUD Putting others first for God's glory <i>1 Peter 5:6</i></p>	<p><b>JOYFUL</b> VS. SELF-PITY Living happily in light of God's grace <i>John 15:11</i></p>	<p><b>KIND</b> VS. INCONSIDERATE Helping others with a sensitivity to their needs and feelings <i>Ephesians 4:32</i></p>	<p><b>LEADER</b> VS. SELF-ABSORBED Setting the right example and guiding others towards a goal <i>Titus 2:7</i></p>	<p><b>PATIENT</b> VS. RESTLESS Waiting without demanding or complaining <i>Psalms 27:14</i></p>	<p><b>PEACEFUL</b> VS. ANXIOUS Yielding to the Lord's control and helping others do the same <i>Romans 12:18</i></p>	<p><b>PERSEVERANT</b> VS. GIVING UP Depending on God for strength to endure any situation <i>Galatians 6:9</i></p>
<p><b>RESPECTFUL</b> VS. DEFIANT Honoring everyone with importance, especially my leaders <i>1 Peter 2:17</i></p>	<p><b>RESPONSIBLE</b> VS. CARELESS Taking good care of everything that's been entrusted to me <i>Galatians 6:4-5</i></p>	<p><b>SELF-CONTROLLED</b> VS. REACTIONARY Choosing what's right, not always what I want <i>Proverbs 25:28</i></p>	<p><b>SELFLESS</b> VS. GREEDY Serving others without hidden motive or personal gain <i>Matthew 7:12</i></p>	<p><b>THANKFUL</b> VS. ENTITLED Grateful to God and to others for how they've blessed me <i>1 Thessalonians 5:18</i></p>	<p><b>TRUSTWORTHY</b> VS. DECEITFUL Others can put their full confidence in me as a person of truth <i>1 Chronicles 29:17</i></p>	<p><b>UNCONDITIONALLY LOVING</b> VS. FAVORITISM Choosing to love others no matter what <i>John 13:34-35</i></p>	<p><b>WISE</b> VS. THOUGHTLESS Knowing, learning from, and obeying God's Word <i>Psalms 119:34</i></p>