## SERMON NOTES "The Hope of Easter"

John 20:11-18

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"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." -1 Peter 1:3

- Hope for the <u>Discouraged</u> (20:11-18)
   "He calls his own sheep by name...and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice."
   -John 10:3-4
- 2. Hope for the <u>Doubting</u> (20:24-29)

  "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen...And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God, must believe that he exists..."

  -Hebrews 11:1,6
- 3. Hope for the <u>Denying</u> (21:15-19)

  "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

   Romans 6:23

"For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received; that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures." -1 Cor. 15:3-5