

Series: Lessons from His Life
Message: More Than Tomb Gazers
Text: Mark 16:1-8 & 15 (AM 3/30/08)

Touring tombs is not high on most of our agendas. We relegate tomb tours to archeologists and horror movies. Our faith, however, hinges on our *attendance* to one tomb. While the tour will not frighten us it always leaves us *awe struck*. Today, Mark reminds us that fully devoted followers of Christ must be *more than mere tomb gazers*.

I. Our Invitation – *Glory*. “*See the place...*” (6)
Believing is seeing what’s not there.

- A transcending love
- A transformed life

II. Our Instructions – *Go*. “*Go into all the world...*” (15a)
Those that have seen are sent.

- Go to everyone
- Go to everyplace (Acts 1:8)
 - *Jerusalem – local; Judea - regional; Samaria – culturally;*
Ends of the earth –globally

III. Our Information – the *Gospel*. “*Preach the Gospel...*” (15b)
Those that are sent must share.

- There’s a story to *tell*.
- There’s a Savior to *trust*.

IV. Our Inspiration – *our Guide*. “*He is going before you...*” (7)
Those that share will have strength.

- He *prepares* the way.
- He *prepares* the witness.

Application to life: Have you made the faith journey to the empty tomb? Remember if you’ve *seen* it then Jesus has *sent you!* When you go He’s given you the message to *share* – *the gospel!* Finally,

know that the *Spirit* will *strengthen* you to share! Note: Those that share are *successful* witnesses.