

First Baptist Church of Progress Village

"It's Me, Not A Ghost"

Scripture: Lk. 24: 36-48

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1. A spirit does not have _____ and _____.

Luke 24: 39 (KJV) *Behold (see) my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.*

They looked at Him to strengthen their faith.

Heb. 10:25 (NLT) *And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.*

2. The scars in His _____ and _____.

The tangibleness of being touched would restore the disciples confidence.

Luke 24:39b (KJV) *...handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.*

Luke 24:40 (KJV) *And when he had thus spoken, he showed them his hands and his feet.*

They touched Him to strengthen their faith.

Jn.20:20 (KJV) *And when He had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.*

1 John 1:1 (KJV) *That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;*

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The scars in His hands and feet; were indisputable proof that it was He who had been nailed to the cross.

3. He _____ for food and _____ it before them.

A ghost does not eat! In asking for some food and eating before them, Jesus removed their fears.

Luke 24:41-43 (NLT) *Still they stood there in disbelief, filled with joy and wonder. Then he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he ate it as they watched.*

He ate to strengthen their faith.

In the verses that follow Jesus reignites their passion for the spreading of the good news. 52) *And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: 53) And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen (KJV)*

4. A _____ like Jesus' body.

1 Jn. 3:2 (NLT) *Dear friends, we are already God's children, but he has not yet shown us what we will be like when Christ appears. But we do know that we will be like him, for we will see him as he really is.*

A body of flesh and bone.

Not limited by _____ or restricted by time.

MESSAGE REFLECTION(s):

How do you see Jesus?

Do you see Him as a ghost; some scary, eerie form as depicted in sci-fi movies?

Or as the bible declares, a *living, breathing Savior with all power in his hands?*