

### 3. Good news to go and tell

Matthew 28:1-15  
Easter Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

#### Intro

*I am well and getting stronger every day by focusing on the things that will help me heal, in my mind, body and spirits. (Princess of Wales, Kate Middleton)*

*For everyone facing this disease, please do not lose faith or hope. (Princess of Wales, Kate Middleton)*

#### 1. Good news that changes everything

*"The New Testament writers speak as if Christ's achievement in rising from the dead was the first event of its kind in the whole history of the universe. He is the "first fruits", the "pioneer of life". He has forced open a door that has been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought, and beaten the King of Death. Everything is different because He has done so." (C.S. Lewis. Miracles.)*

## **2. Good news for sinners**

- Matthew 26:31-32
- "My brothers" – Matthew 12:50; 25:40

- 1 Corinthians 15:16-20

- 1 Corinthians 15:54-56

'When we die, and where we are buried, and what kind of funeral we have, matters little: the great question to be asked is this, 'How shall we rise again?' (J.C. Ryle. Matthew: Expository Thoughts on the Gospels)