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# ***Jesus Is Our Worldview!***

*Matthew 28:1-20*

**Introduction:** A huge battle is raging today over competing worldviews, with many books coming out which are highly critical of the Christian faith, even predicting its demise. But here's what we need to remember: where Christianity is centered on the person of Jesus *it is flourishing*. And when it comes right down to it, Jesus is our worldview and we have the privilege of seeing all of life through the lens of our relationship with him. We see this Christ-centered worldview reflected in Matthew's version of the resurrection account (28:1-20).

## **1. *WORLDVIEW DISPLAYED* – We see components of our Christ-centered worldview in the circumstances of the empty tomb. *Matthew 28:1-7***

- A. Love – When Jesus is your worldview, you express a crazy-love that sometimes seems irrational. 28:1
- B. Power – When Jesus is your worldview, you experience his spiritual power. 28:2
- C. Hope – When Jesus is your worldview, there is true hope for the future. 28:4-6
- D. Purpose – When Jesus is your worldview, you experience true purpose in life. 28:7

## **2. *WORLDVIEW EXPERIENCED* – Our Christian worldview is not just a set of facts to be believed; it is a person to be worshipped. *Matthew 28:8-10***

- A. The women see the resurrected Jesus. 28:8-9a
- B. The women worship. 28:9b
- C. The women's worship is highly significant for us. 28:10

## **3. *WORLDVIEW CONVEYED* – Our Christian worldview must be communicated, but it will be in the midst of conflict. *Matthew 28:11-20***

- A. As we communicate, we will experience tension and conflict from without. 28:11-15

B. As we communicate, we may, at times, experience hesitations and doubts from within.  
28:16-17

C. As we communicate, there is a clearly marked out process along with a fantastic promise.  
28:18-20