# SHALOM

*The Final Week*
*April 12, 2026*

## KEY SCRIPTURE

- John 20:1–18
- John 20:19–31
- John 21:1–14
- Psalm 34:18
- John 14:27

## KEY POINTS

- Jesus meets people personally in their grief, fear, doubt, and confusion.
- The resurrection does not remove struggle, but it transforms how we experience it.
- Jesus offers peace not as an idea, but as His presence in the middle of chaos.
- Doubt and questions are not rejected by Jesus; they are met with grace and truth.
- The Holy Spirit empowers believers to live out what Jesus has called them to do.
- Belief is central to the Christian life, even when we have not seen.

## DISCUSSION

- Where do you see yourself in this passage right now—Mary in grief, the disciples in fear, or Thomas in need of a personal encounter with Jesus? Why?
- Jesus repeatedly says, “Peace be with you.” What does it look like to experience His peace in a real, practical way in your current circumstances?
- How have you seen Jesus meet you personally in a difficult or confusing season of life?
- Why do you think Jesus responds to doubt with invitation instead of correction? What does that reveal about His character?
- What are some “locked doors” in your life right now? Where fear, pain, or uncertainty have kept you closed off?