## Communion is...

**Communion is** a celebration meal... Jesus celebrating His victory over sin and death... me celebrating my receiving of it!

## Read Matthew 28:1-6

Only heaven knows how to plan, oversee and execute a resurrection! These verses resound with LIFE and JOY and VICTORY! I love to read them over and over again! "Jesus has risen, just as He said!" That is what the angel said to the women who came to look at the grave. "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said He would."

The power of Jesus' Word is beyond our comprehension. During His ministry, Jesus told His followers again and again that He would rise from the dead. His Word is always true and always will come to pass, even if we can't imagine how that could be.

**Just like His followers couldn't imagine.** After all the trauma of the days preceding this resurrection morning, I am sure it seemed like they were encompassed in death like never before. Their hope of Jesus reigning as Messiah appeared to be lost and I can't imagine how heavy all of that must have felt.

And yet, Jesus had every detail of the resurrection that He had promised set up and ready to go. He would be true to His Word. His new mercy on this resurrection morning was ready to burst forth. Verse 1 tells us, "After the Sabbath, as it began to dawn." See the sun was barely starting to rise and Jesus was up and out of the grave! When God has a plan, He puts it into motion exactly when He says that He will. Jesus had told them He would rise after 3 days and that is exactly what happened, first thing, no waiting!

And I love that Scripture tells us this detail, "After the Sabbath"... because that just speaks even more to me about how 'under control' God has the details of His Word. If ever there was a time when it could have been understandable for God to 'forego the Sabbath' and have to work to set all the details of the resurrection in motion it would have been understandable, for this was the biggest miracle in history. But no, the Sabbath still took place. Jesus was in the grave and the Father and the Holy Spirit were not working, but resting in the authority and power they have to completely carry out every Word spoken from the beginning of time that Jesus would rise from the grave and bring salvation to the world!

AND HE DID! Praise the Lord for always keeping His Word and for the resurrection LIFE He gives to us!

As we come to communion table today, we come with celebration and a renewed trust that Jesus will be true to what He says, always! So, raise the cup high and shout hallelujah on this Resurrection Day, for there is so much to celebrate!

## Prayer Conversation Starter...

**Jesus, You always keep Your Word!** You rose from the grave just like You said You would! I celebrate Your resurrection today and renew my trust in every Word You have spoken to me...

