

The Silence of Saturday

(Psalm 31:1-3)

- Introduction:
1. Jesus was crucified, was dead, and lying in a tomb on Saturday.
 2. For the disciples of Jesus, this was earth-shaking.
 3. They couldn't go back; their teacher was dead; their relationship had come to an abrupt and violent end; their dreams were shattered; they were confused; and their future was unknown.
 4. They had been pushed to the edge, and all we hear from God on this Saturday was silence.
 5. Although these events transpired 2000 years ago, have we not been where our early brothers and sisters were?
 6. We too have been pushed to the edge; hurt by the past; terrified by the future; and we sit in silence waiting for clarity.
 7. In this lesson, I want to share a few suggestions from God's word concerning what we need to do when we experience the "silence of Saturday."

I. Wait On God

- A. (Psalm 27:14).
- B. "Teach Me Lord to Wait."
- B. Don't try to force God into your time frame.
- C. Being uncomfortable isn't always bad, and being confused doesn't always need immediate clarity.
- D. (Genesis 12-21).
- E. (Habakkuk 2:1).
- F. (Exodus 14:1-12).

II. Obey God

- A. (Luke 23:56).
- B. These women were are confused by the death of Jesus as the men were. They demonstrated that by coming to anoint the body of Jesus on Sunday.
- C. But Notice what they did on Saturday - they obeyed the commandments of God.
- D. (Luke 1:5-13).

III. Remember God's Promises

- A. (Luke 24:13-35).
- B. (Romans 8:28).
- C. (Hebrews 13:5).

- Conclusion:
1. Friends, we have all had, and will continue to have some "Silent Saturdays" in our lives.
 2. They're uncomfortable, unnerving, and can shake our faith; but remember whose you are, and his promises!