Commentary on the Gospel for Sun, Apr 30th 2017

We are still basking in the joy of Easter as Luke reminds us of David's promise, and the Lord's promise, that someone (Jesus) would be raised and "exalted at the right hand of God." Glory. And we are equally reminded in the psalm that "you will show me the path to life."

While Easter is behind us we need to remember that hope lasts all year long. When I imagine the Apostle's confusion in the upper room at the institution of the Lord's Supper I compare it to the confusing times we are living in. As the apostles couldn't believe what was getting ready to happen, I can't believe the daily changes going on in our society, government, financial institutions and more. What about the disbelief the next day during Good Friday. The Lord had just said (what he had been saying for some time) that he was to be crucified, and there it was actually happening right in front of them. I am in disbelief with the way people behave in public, questionable ethics and morality permeate our society and government, and am speechless to actually watch it happen.

But hope abounds. The joy of Easter Sunday still is with us. The disciples, while frantic for answers came to know that Christ had indeed risen from the dead (He is Risen, Indeed). My hope lives with the Easter story all year round.

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