Speaking About Jesus > Matthew 28:1-15

28:1-7 *Telling of Jesus.* The two Mary's head to the tomb early on Sunday morning in an effort to honor Jesus. There, they are met by an angel who invites them to see the empty tomb and then commissions them to go and take this wonderful news to the disciples.

28:8-10 *Told by Jesus.* On their way, the ladies are met by none other than Jesus himself! He, likewise, calls on the ladies to deliver his good news to the disciples.

28:11-15 *Lying about Jesus.* The guards at the tomb revive and report on all that has happened. Rather than believing these events, or seeking to learn more about them, the religious officials try to explain away the empty tomb.

Background: Matthew concludes his gospel by connecting Christ's death to his resurrection. Jesus died for our sins on the cross, here in chapter 28 he rises to new life, confirming the same to those who will follow him.

The Point: Jesus Christ, God's Son, has risen from the grave.

Head: Who will you listen to? Who do you trust? The evidence for Christ's resurrection is right here, the evidence of those who are against him is nowhere to be found.

Heart: Will you take Christ as your Savior from sin and your King for eternity? This is where joy is found, this is where fears are stilled. He is the one who gives hope.

Hands: Who will you tell about the reason for Easter?

Here is how I will apply these truths: _____