Authority Over The Grave

Easter Sunday 2017 ~ Matthew 28

- 1. When you stood beside the grave of a loved one or have been in a life threatening experience like a violent earthquake, what does the incident make you think about concerning eternity?
- 2. The response of the women at the cataclysmic events of verses 2-10 is fear, joy and worship. What does this say about their faith? How would you have responded?
- 3. How does the role of the guards/government and their "alternative facts" impact the story? (vs 11-15)
- 4. Why does the authority of Jesus continue to the THE issue for the religious establishment? Have you come under his authority in ALL of your life?
- 5. Why do you suppose that Matthew puts the resurrection and commissioning in the same story, His receiving of authority and then giving it? (vs 18-20)
- 6. What impacts you most about the Easter story this year?