"The Empty Tomb" John 20:1-10 Pastor Jim Oakley – February 4, 2018

The Tomb is empty, Jesus is Alive, redemption has dawned! 1. WOMEN AT THE TOMB (v. 1-2) 2. DISCIPLES RACE TO THE TOMB (v. 3-7) 3. FAITH FROM THE TOMB (v. 8-10)

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: John 20: 11-23

ABF/Small Group Guide

- 1. OPTIONAL ICEBREAKER: When you hear about something good, who is the first person you tell? Why?
- 2. Read John 20:1-10.
- 3. What insights, questions, or observations do you initially have?
- 4. What is the significance of Mary Magdalene being first to the tomb? (Look back over John 19.)
- 5. What did Mary see that made her run back to the disciples?
- 6. What may have kept Mary from understanding the resurrection at this point?
- 7. Which disciples ran back? Who made it there first? Who went in?
- 8. Describe the disciples' reaction to the empty tomb.
- 9. Did they fully understand the resurrection yet?
- 10. What keeps us from understanding the significance of the resurrection?
- 11. How does this passage encourage or challenge you?
- 12. How can we pray for you this week?