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Introduction--- Why Easter is a big deal: Two propositions . . .

- #1, Jesus claimed to have exclusive _____ to life's most important _____.
- #2, He proved that everything he did and said was true through the _____.

FOUR REASONS PEOPLE HAVE A HARD TIME BELIEVING . . .

1. _____ keep us from _____ the evidence _____, verses 1-2.
2. _____ keep us from _____ the evidence _____, verses 3-10.
3. _____ and _____ keep us from _____ the evidence, verses 10-16.
4. _____ keeps us from being in the _____ at the _____, verses 19-25.

Conclusion:

- If we're willing to _____, Jesus will _____ the evidence we need:
 - John _____ the _____.
 - Mary _____ him speak to her.
 - Thomas _____ his hands.

HAPPY EASTER!! There will be no adult discipleship classes this morning. Kid's classes will take place during both services for children through 6th grade. Have a great day celebrating that we have a risen Savior!

There will be no Sunday evening Bible study or "Next Steps" class at the church this evening.

CHILDREN'S LEADER TRAINING: Brookings Wesleyan Church is sponsoring THE HUDDLE, our denomination's children's ministry leadership training conference on Saturday, March 29, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. For those who have registered, get ready for a time of growth, renewal, and fun! There will be a noon luncheon provided. If you have not registered yet and want to come, please contact Connie Hobbie at 692-6671 or pastorconnie@brookingsweslean.org. Go to headhearhand.com and go to the children's leader training link for more information.

MARCHMADNESSFEVER! On Saturday, April 5, BWC's men's ministry would like to invite families to a Final Four Party in the Loft at church. We'll have the game on the big screen and tables set up to play board games while the game is going on. Pop will be provided. Feel free to bring munchies to eat during the game. The festivities will begin at 5:00 pm and go until the games are over. The Haiti missions team will be providing childcare during this event. Your free will donation will help the students pay for their trip to Haiti in June. If you need childcare, please let Pastor Kent know at pastorkent@brookingswesleyan.org or call him at the church (692-6671).

BWC WOMEN: Please mark Saturday, April 5, from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm on your calendar if you would be interested in committing to leadership in women's ministry. You will need to RSVP by emailing Pastor Connie (pastorconnie@brookingswesleyan.org) or calling her at the church if you are interested in attending. There will be a late morning brunch for all who attend. We have many new and exciting ideas for ministry, but now we need a person who will lead or assist in each area of ministry. By coming to the meeting on April 5, you will commit to leading or assisting in some portion of women's ministry. You will not be assigned a ministry, instead choose which ministry you feel God would have you share your gifts and talents. If you have been thinking of a ministry that needs to be started at BWC and you want to lead that program, please let Pastor Connie know. We are interested in all ideas that will lead women into fellowship with Christ and other believers. Remember to RSVP if you want to be a part of the leadership team for BWC's Women's Ministries: Connecting Women.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR: On Friday, April 11, at 6:30 pm, BWC is hosting a Couple's Banquet. The theme for the banquet is "Love Is In The Air". The special guest speaker will be Pastor Michael Brandt, from Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls. The tickets will be going on sale next Sunday, March 30 for \$25 per couple. Please be sure to mark this date on your calendar. More details will follow.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT: Doyle and Jodi Moberg had a boy born on Tuesday, March 18th. Joshua Raymond was 7 lbs 4 oz. Grandparents are Robert and Marilyn Moberg, and Ray and Ardy Johnson. Congratulations!!

MEALS ON WHEELS: Thank you to everyone who participated in ministry by delivering meals for the 60s Plus Dining program last week, and who will participate during this next week. We appreciate you!

PARENTS OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDZONE KIDS: Remind your children of the offering we take each week to support our World Hope child, Eugenie Romain, from Haiti. The support we send (\$30 per month) buys her clothing, food, school supplies, as well as part of her education. Our goal is to support another child as soon as we can. Thank you for your help!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FUNDRAISER SUPPER: Want a night off from making supper and rushing from one place to another? On Wednesday, March 26, you are invited to join us for a fundraiser supper before children's activities, 180 and adult small groups. We'll be serving from 5:00-6:45 pm in the KidZone area to raise money for our college/young adult missions trip to South Africa in May. You can eat and then attend your Wednesday night activities. We'll be serving sloppy joes, chips, salad and a drink for a free-will donation. Also, as a part of this event, you can enter your favorite cookie, brownie, cake, or pie (or whatever) in **THE GREAT DESSERT CHALLENGE**. Just sign up (692-6671 or pastorrick@brookingswesleyan.org) by Monday, March 24 if you'd like to enter the challenge. Then please bring enough of your dessert for 50 people to sample a small serving. Attendees will be allowed to sample the desserts and will vote for their favorite by donating money towards our trip. The dessert that raises the most money will win.

On Sunday, April 20, at 5:00 pm in the KidZone Center, Pastor Connie will be teaching a **BAPTISM CLASS FOR KIDS**. Please let her know if your child would like to learn more about baptism and what a great testimony it can be. You can call the church or send an email to pastorconnie@brookingswesleyan.org.

KIDZONE CONTRACTS: The kids in K-grade 4 are being challenged to write their own contracts for Wesleyan bucks. Parents are required to be involved in the project. Check with your child's teacher for more information or contact Pastor Connie at 692-6671 or pastorconnie@brookingswesleyan.org.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: We are missing some plain, wooden figures from our Children's Worship set. The figures are of Jesus, 2 disciples, and six children. If you find these anywhere, please return them to the church office or to Room 14.

LOST AND FOUND: The organizing of the various storage areas in the church is currently in progress. If you're missing items that may have been left at the church, please contact Judy Johnson at 692-4792.

SAVE THE DATE: Vacation Bible School will be held on May 27-31 from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Please be watching for more information.

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.
He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;
and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?"*

(John 11-25-26)

SUNDAY

9:00 AM: KidZone (nursery-6th Grade)
10:30 AM: KidZone (nursery-6th Grade)

TUESDAY

9:00 AM: A Woman's Heart (Room B)

WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM: Dust of the Rabbi (Room C)
7:00 PM: KidZone (nursery-6th Grade)
180 Youth Ministry (Activities Center)
The Truth Project (Bob & Deb Christensen's home)
Old Testament Challenge (John & Faye Jones' home)
Love & Respect for couples (Room A)
The Truth Project (Room B)
DNA of Relationships (Room C)
James (Room D)
Proverbs (Library)
Prayer Group (Pastor Tim's Office)
Proverbs (Ron & Esther Kruse's home)
7:30 PM: End Times (Clarence & LaVonne Grebner's home)

For more information regarding Midweek Discipleship Groups - Please visit the Welcome Center.

Next Sunday, March 30: From 11 am - 2 pm, there will be a fundraiser for Brookings resident, Erin Stahlecker in the Activities Center of the Church. Erin was diagnosed with cancer in Oct 2007. There will be a free will offering for a soup and sandwich meal. Also there will be items for a bake sale, and a silent auction.