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LISTEN UP!

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*How does the Gospel shape who we are?
And then, how does who we are impact how
we view and use church buildings?*

A People _____

A Place for _____

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THINK IT OVER!

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1. Read John 20:19-31 again. Describe the context of what is going on here? Describe what you think is the emotional state of the disciples of Jesus, before Jesus showed up?
2. How is the disciples' emotional state described after "seeing the Lord" in verse 20?
3. What piece of seemingly insignificant information does both verse 19 and 26 reveal? Why would John be concerned about telling us twice? What is he communicating?
4. Verse 30 and 31 are really a purpose statement for the whole Gospel of John? Why does John write this? (Be specific, he mentions 3 things!)
5. Why does this passage serve to define the church's identity?

WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging for you in this week's text/message?
2. Describe your own encounter with the Risen Jesus. In what ways has your encounter given rise to belief, rejoicing, change and a mission?
3. What is the connection between this passage and the dedication of our Founder's Hall and Early Childhood Center for ministry? Why should who we are because of the Gospel affect how we view and use buildings?
4. How can this building (and all our facilities) be a place for believing, a place for rejoicing, a place for changing, a place for sending? What sorts of things threaten these aims?

Growth Groups consist of 6-12 people who gather once a week over a 10 week period to study God's Word, pray and care for one another. Growth Groups are a "fast track" into life at Grace.

Fall Growth Groups Begin Today!