***It’s Not Too Late!***

Luke 23:44-56

*It is not too late for me to change!*

**It is not too late for me to *speak* up.**

**1 Peter 5:5-6 (CSB)**   
5 God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble. 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you at the proper time….

**It is not too late for me *stand* up.**

*Who am I afraid of? What have I got to lose?*

**Matthew 10:32-33 (CSB)**   
32 “Therefore, everyone who will acknowledge me before others, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. 33  But whoever denies me before others, I will also deny him before my Father in heaven.

**Isaiah 53:9a (CSB)**   
He was assigned a grave with the wicked, but he was with a rich man at his death….

**Matthew 25:40 (CSB)**   
“And the King will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’“

*How can I “stand up” for Jesus?*

**Jesus calls me to *rest* up.**

**John 20:17 (CSB)**   
Jesus told her, “I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”

**Psalm 31:4-5 (CSB)**   
4  You will free me from the net that is secretly set for me, for you are my refuge.   
5  Into your hand I entrust my spirit; you have redeemed me, Lord, God of truth.

*How well-rested am I?*

**Hebrews 10:19-23 (CSB)**19 Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have boldness to enter the sanctuary through the blood of Jesus —20  he has inaugurated for us a new and living way *through the curtain* (that is, through his flesh) —21  and since we have a great high priest over the house of God, 22  let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed in pure water. 23  Let us hold on to the confession of our hope without wavering, since he who promised is faithful.