



SERMON TITLE

YOU'RE UP NEXT

SERIES

FROM EMPTY TOMB TO UPPER ROOM

DATE

5/3/2026

KEY SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-22

SYNOPSIS

Jesus walks through a locked door, speaks peace, hands the disciples his own commission, and breathes his Spirit on them—and he's doing the same with you.

HIGHLIGHTS



BIG IDEA

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“On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them” (John 20:19)

Notes:

THE PEACE

Verse 19 says it plainly—the doors were locked *for fear*.

Peace is not the absence of fear. It’s the presence of Jesus.

Jesus walks through locked doors. And the first word out of his mouth is peace.

“Peace be with you.” (John 20:19, 21)

Notes:

THE PATTERN

Jesus got sent toward the kind of people most ministry committees would have quietly screened out. That’s the pattern you have inherited.

The same authority that rested on him is now resting on us—not because we’re worthy of it, but because he is, and he has chosen to share it.

He doesn't send the ready. He readies the sent.

“As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” (John 20:21)

Notes:



THE PRESENCE

Sent first. Equipped next.

You are not sent solo. His breath goes with you.

You don't have to be undamaged to be sent.

“And with that he breathed on them and said, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’” (John 20:22)

Notes:

MAKE IT PERSONAL

You're up next. Not because you've got it all together. Because he's already gone before you.

Where are you hiding? Wherever you are — ask Him to walk in.

You are sent. Not necessarily somewhere way out there. Right where you already are.

There are people who need to see Jesus through you. So take one step.

Notes:
