

THE RESURRECTED CHRIST (EASTER)

John 20:1-18

Matthew 28:11-15

To get complete account of crucifixion read:

Matthew 27, 28

Mark 15, 16

Luke 23, 24

John 19, 20

Matthew begins his gospel with the genealogy of Jesus, and His birth.

Mark begins his gospel with the preaching of John the Baptist, and the baptism of Jesus.

Luke begins his gospel with the birth of John the Baptist, and the angel's visit to Mary.

John begins his gospel with "The Word became flesh."

Although the gospels do not all begin the same, they each close with an account of the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ----each reporting as the Holy Spirit inspired them.

The Resurrection made Calvary significant.

Questions about the Resurrection:

- 1.) What became of Christ's body if He did not rise?
- 2.) How could discouraged, dismayed disciples suddenly turn into men of confidence and courage if no Resurrection occurred to revive their faith?
- 3.) When He was seen by His disciples, women, and by more than 500 at one time (I Cor. 15:6), how could all of these people have been deluded at the same time?
- 4.) Why is it that 2000 years later atheists are attempting to disprove Christ's resurrection?
- 5.) If Jesus' enemies had stolen His body, wouldn't they have produced the body to show as evidence?
- 6.) What would have happened to the guards if they had 'fallen asleep' during their watch on the tomb, as they were instructed to say?

Acts 10:40,41; John 20:1-10

The approach of the Peter and John after receiving message from Mary

A.) The report of the women

Why was the stone rolled away? (vs. 1)

B.) The arrival of Peter and John (vs. 2-8)

Three different Greek words for 'see'

1.) vs. 5: John saw (and went not in)

2.) vs. 6: Peter seeth (after going in---he saw and wondered)

3.) vs. 7: John saw (and believed)

C.) The response of the two disciples (vs 9, 10)

What they saw:

Linen clothes lying

Napkin (head covering)

John 20:11-13

The appearance of the angels to Mary

- A.) Mary's sorrow (vs. 11)
- B.) Posture of angels (vs.12)
- C.) Conversing with angels (vs. 13)

John 20:14-18

Announcement of the Master

- 1.) Mary's Concern (vs. 14,15)
- 2.) Mary's Christ (vs. 15, 16)
- 3.) Mary's Message (vs.17,18)

Verse 17: Go and say

Brethren

Ascend

Easter must not be a seasonal experience. It must be a living reality daily.

Resurrection truth:

The superiority of Christianity is that its founder died to bring it into existence, but rose again to be its living head and guide forever.

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