

The Resurrection of God

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Matthew 28:1 Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave.

² And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it.

³ And his appearance was like lightning, and his garment as white as snow;

⁴ and the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men.

⁵ And the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified.

⁶ "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying.

⁷ "And go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead; and behold, He is going before you into Galilee, there you will see Him; behold, I have told you."

⁸ And they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy and ran to report it to His disciples.

John 20:1 Now on the first *day* of the week Mary Magdalene came early to the tomb, while it was still dark, and saw the stone *already* taken away from the tomb.

² And so she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him."

³ Peter therefore went forth, and the other disciple, and they were going to the tomb.

⁴ And the two were running together; and the other disciple ran ahead faster than Peter, and came to the tomb first;

⁵ and stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings lying *there*; but he did not go in.

⁶ Simon Peter therefore also came, following him, and entered the tomb; and he beheld the linen wrappings lying *there*,

⁷ and the face-cloth, which had been on His head, not lying with the linen wrappings, but rolled up in a place by itself.

⁸ So the other disciple who had first come to the tomb entered then also, and he saw and believed.

⁹ For as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.

¹⁰ So the disciples went away again to their own homes.

¹¹ But Mary was standing outside the tomb weeping; and so, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb;

¹² and she beheld two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had been lying.

¹³ And they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him."

¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around, and beheld Jesus standing *there*, and did not know that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means, Teacher).

¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Stop clinging to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brethren, and say to them, 'I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene came, announcing to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and *that* He had said these things to her.

Matthew 28:9 And behold, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him.

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and take word to My brethren to leave for Galilee, and there they shall see Me."

¹¹ Now while they were on their way, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all that had happened.

¹² And when they had assembled with the elders and counseled together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers,

¹³ and said, "You are to say, 'His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep.'"

¹⁴ "And if this should come to the governor's ears, we will win him over and keep you out of trouble."

¹⁵ And they took the money and did as they had been instructed; and this story was widely spread among the Jews, *and is to this day*.

(Note: Luke 24:13-35, Jesus' ministry to two disciples on the road to Emmaus, happens here)

John 20:19 When therefore it was evening, on that day, the first *day* of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst, and said to them, "Peace *be* with you."

²⁰ And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples therefore rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

²² And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

²³ "If you forgive the sins of any, *their sins* have been forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they have been retained."

The resurrection means:

1. Jesus is L

Philippians 2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth,

¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

2. we have a m

John 20:21 Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

3. Jesus is w us

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

4. we are f and have a message of forgiveness

John 20:23 "If you forgive the sins of any, *their sins* have been forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they have been retained."

Romans 4:25 He who was delivered up because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

5. we have been r with Christ

Ephesians 2:4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,

⁵ even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly *places*, in Christ Jesus,

⁷ in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

6. we are a

1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

7. we will r

1 Corinthians 15:20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

²¹ For since by a man *came* death, by a man also *came* the resurrection of the dead.

²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive.

²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming,

8. what we do m_____

1 Corinthians 15:54 But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory.

⁵⁵ "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law;

⁵⁷ but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not *in vain* in the Lord.

9. we have a_____

Colossians 3:1 If then you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

² Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

³ For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

⁴ When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

⁵ Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

10. our grief is balanced with j_____

1 Thessalonians 4:13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve, as do the rest who have no hope.

¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus.

¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, and remain until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep.

¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first.

¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord.

¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.