



He is Risen!

*A study
of the
Resurrection of
Jesus Christ*

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1st Day
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Resurrection!
The empty tomb

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Jerusalem
Location of the most important week in human history

The Gospel

– according to the scriptures –

- In fulfillment of Gabriel's prophecy given to Daniel (ch9), Jesus presented Himself as the Messiah of Israel on the very day foretold over 500 years before!
 - Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and allowed Himself to be worshipped as the Messiah
 - This was the only day in His ministry He allowed this, and He intentionally arranges the event
 - The Triumphal Entry was on the 10th of the month, the very day the sacrificial lamb's from the fields around Bethlehem were being taken and inspected, ready for the Passover sacrifice

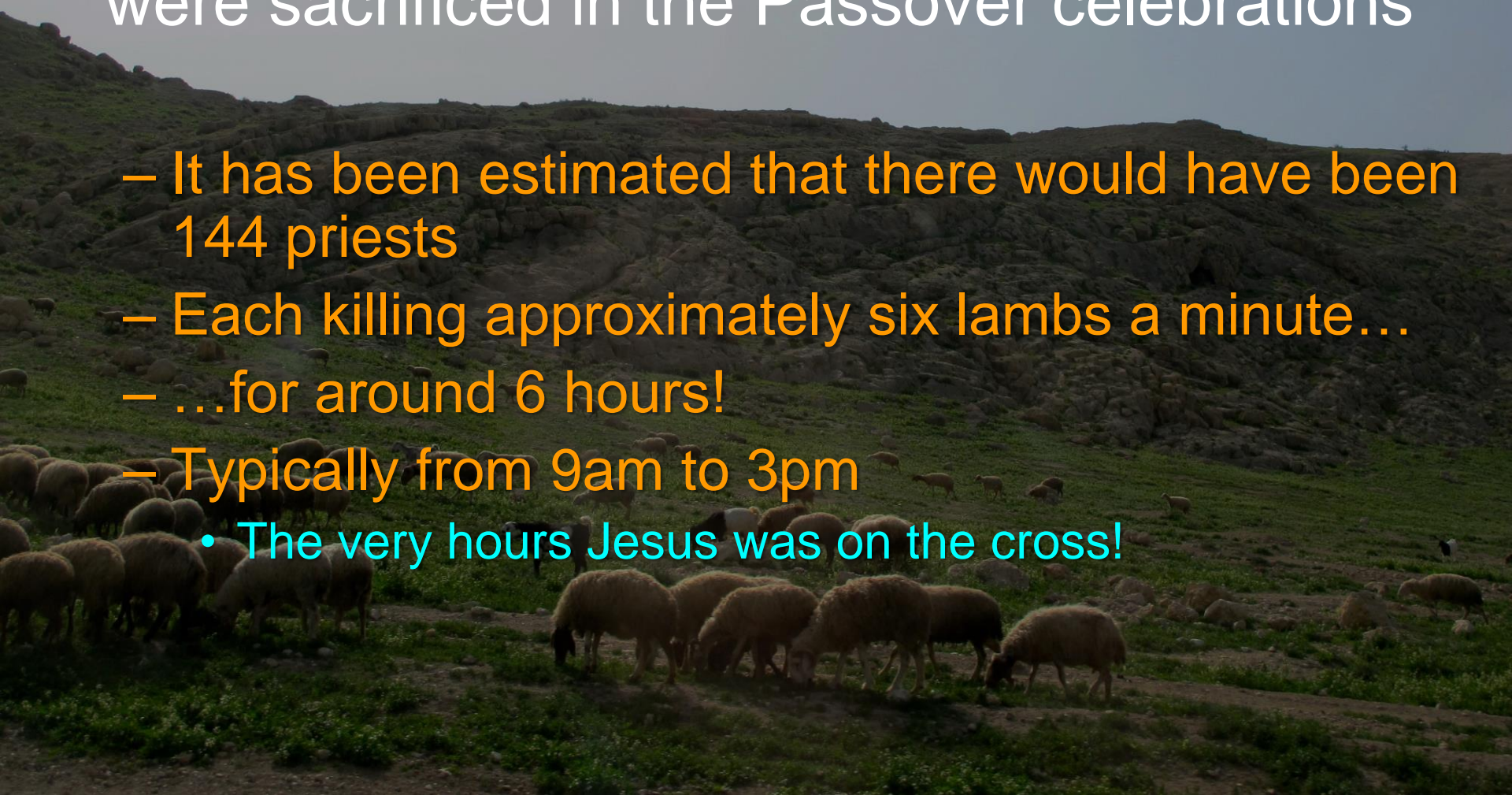
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- The Feast of Passover foreshadows Christ's sacrificial death
 - On the 14th day of the month (Nisan)
 - Jesus was able to both celebrate the Passover with His disciples & become the Passover Lamb, dying on the 14th because of Exodus 12:6
 - The lamb's must be killed 'Beyn' 'BETWEEN' the evenings – thus a 24 hour window
 - Paul states that Christ became our Passover
1 Corinthians 5:7

Bethlehem's Sheep

- Josephus records that over 250,000 lambs were sacrificed in the Passover celebrations
 - It has been estimated that there would have been 144 priests
 - Each killing approximately six lambs a minute...
 - ...for around 6 hours!
 - Typically from 9am to 3pm
 - The very hours Jesus was on the cross!





The Gospel

– according to the scriptures –

- The Feast of Unleavened Bread, His burial
 - As Jesus body was placed in the tomb it became the 15th by the Jewish reckoning
 - *“Unless a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit”* – John 12:24

The Gospel







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- The Feast of Firstfruits, His resurrection
 - On the 17th Jesus rose from the dead on the Feast of Firstfruits
 - Thus becoming “the Firstfruits of all that slept”
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Matthew 27:50

- Jesus was on the cross for 6 hours

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- Josephus tells us that it was 60 ft. high and 30 ft. wide
- It was woven, he says, “as thick as the span of a man’s hand”
- Estimated weight was around 5 tons
- Josephus says that horses tied to each side couldn’t pull it apart

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- This occurs at 3pm, just as the evening sacrifice would be commencing in the Temple
- Many priests would have been officiating
 - Acts confirms that many priests come to faith
- The Talmud records an earthquake in Jerusalem c.40 years before the temple was destroyed,

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Matthew 27:52-53

- It would be impossible to write and circulate this if it did not happen
- If false, this would simply be discredited!

54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

Matthew 27:54

- It had been supernaturally dark on the earth for 3 hours

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9 events that made a believer of a Roman Centurion:

- #1 Pilate had declared Jesus innocent!
 - In Luke's gospel, in an unprecedented move, Pilate says to the mob, ***"I have found in Him no guilt "*** (Lk 23:22)
 - As Pilate hands Jesus over to the centurion, instead of hearing the crimes committed against the state that justify the death sentence, he and his soldiers watch, according to Matthew's account, Pilate wash his hands in a ceremonial manner and say, ***"I am innocent of this Man's blood . . ."*** (Matt 27:24)
 - This must have gotten the centurion's attention. He was a soldier who had given his life to protect and uphold the law of the land, and his leader just announced that this criminal had never broken the law.

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- #2 Jesus' words to the women
 - En route to Calvary, the centurion & soldiers would hear Jesus make an unusual statement to the women weeping at the sight of this Jew being put to death by Romans.
 - Instead of acknowledging their sadness and sympathy Jesus warns them of their impending danger (Lk 23:28)
 - Jesus, beaten beyond recognition, on His way to die, shows compassion for other people who are also going to die.
 - This must have seemed odd to soldiers well worn by the crying of the condemned for mercy. Had they ever seen a condemned man care about anyone else on his way to an excruciating death? These soldiers would be struck by the fact that Christ showed no concern for Himself.

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- #3 Jesus' refusal to drink an anesthetic
 - History records the custom of the Daughters of Jerusalem to, out of compassion for the condemned, provide wine mixed with myrrh – a narcotic drink intended to ease the pain of the crucified victim.
 - Mark informs us that when Christ reached Calvary, He was offered this drink but . . . He did not take it. (Mark 15:23)
 - Why did He not take this drink? Christ had work to do on the cross; He had things to say and would not be in a stupor. He would face death without His senses dulled so that every word could be trusted; so that every final act could be recorded.

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- #4 Jesus' forgives those crucifying Him!
 - Luke records that Jesus said: *“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing. And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves”*. (Luke 23:33b-34)
 - The context clearly points to the often-overlooked fact that Christ was not offering this prayer for the religious leaders who had come to mock Him. Jesus was praying for the soldiers.
 - The Sanhedrin knew what they were doing, but these soldiers did not – they were simply on duty this fateful day.

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- Picture the scene:

- The Savior's body was twisting in pain with each blow of the hammer and being jolted as it was raised upon the saddle, followed by further hammering through His feet...
- Yet He prayed aloud, *“Father, forgive them . . . forgive them . . . they do not know what they are doing.”*
- Can you imagine any criminal these men had ever executed looking at them and offering prayers of forgiveness.
- ...and Jesus keeps praying to the “Father”.
- Even the Romans would have known enough to know that no Jew ever called God his “Father”.

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- Picture the scene:

- The centurion had listened as Pilate declared this Man innocent.
- He had heard Christ warn a group of women that He was not in danger with God, but they were.
- He had watched Christ refuse to drink the narcotic.
- He then heard this Man offer forgiveness to his soldiers for what they were doing.
- By now, the centurion must have been deeply wondering, “Just who is this Man?”

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- #5 Grace shown to the thief in the cross
 - One of the other two individuals being crucified that day cried out “Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom!” (Luke 23:42)
 - There is no doubt the centurion had already mulled over the meaning of the words on the placard behind Jesus’ head that declared Christ’s only crime, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.” (Matthew 27:37)
 - Now, this soldier hears one of the condemned cry out to Jesus in faith, in this moment while they both hang on the cross, asking that Jesus allow him to enter His kingdom!

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- #5 Grace shown to the thief in the cross
 - Surely this man on the centre cross will tell the criminal he has been misled and that this is all a myth. Surely He will say something like, “Do I look like a King?! Do I look like there’s a kingdom waiting for me?!”
 - Instead, the centurion and his soldiers must have been shocked to hear Jesus reply “*Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise.*” (Luke 23:43)
 - In other words, “I am the King of the Jews. I am the Messiah. There is a kingdom belonging to Me. I will give you entrance!”
 - After these words, nature, in the grip of Creator God, lends its voice to this scene on Calvary...

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- #6 Darkness sweeps in and covers the land.
 - Matthew & Luke tell us that darkness blankets the earth at the 'sixth hour' and that it lasts until the ninth hour
 - The sixth hour is mid-day (noon) when the sun is at its zenith, it suddenly gets turned off like a light bulb.
 - Sources outside the Bible indicate that the darkness was actually global.
 - For example, in a letter from Pilate to Emperor Tiberius after these things he refers to the darkness from 12-3pm that he knew Tiberius had also experienced, even though Tiberius was in Rome and not in Israel at the time.
 - There is no doubt that the soldiers quickly started a fire in order to keep watch and that torches were lit as this supernatural darkness blotted out the sky for three hours.

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From this point forward, the tone of everything changes...

- The rabbis had taught for centuries that the darkening of the sun was a judgment from God
- There is no more mocking or jeering. Everyone senses that God's hand is somehow involved. The Centurion must have noticed the religious leaders now slip away.
- Luke tells us that after Jesus dies, the crowd that is still at this scene will return to Jerusalem weeping and in deep contrition (Luke 23:48). This was no longer the public spectacle the Jewish leaders were anticipating!
- During these three hours of darkness, Jesus makes more statements...

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9 events that made a believer of a Roman Centurion:

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 - Suddenly, out of the darkness, Jesus cries, *“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”* (Mathew 27:46)
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 - For the first time in scripture, Jesus does not address God as His Father.
 - There is no intimate communion at this point,
 - as Jesus takes upon Himself our transgressions (Is 53:5);
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 - as Jesus becomes a curse for us (Gal 3:13);
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 - After 3 hrs of darkness Jesus cries out “tetelestai,” (“paid in full”). The gospel was being delivered in a word. Jesus did not cry out, “*I am finished,*” but “*It is finished!*”
 - Literally: “*It is finished and it always will be finished.*”
 - The Centurion must have thought ‘what a strange word for a dying man to cry’.
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- As Christ bows His head in death, Mathew records that the earth began to shudder and shake so violently that rocks split apart (Matthew 27:51).
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- It is no wonder that the centurion stood at the cross and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!” (Matt 27:54)
- It all makes sense – the compassion, the dignity, the promise of a kingdom, the communication with God His Father, the darkness, the earthquake . . .

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- A Roman soldier is the first Gentile convert after the death of Christ – a conversion at Calvary.
- From Luke's account, this centurion was not quiet about his conversion either. The text says, he began praising God . . . (Luke 23:47)
- The “Hallelujahs of the Cross” came first from the lips of a redeemed Centurion!
- He came to faith beneath the dead Saviour's cross.
- He believed that this dead Man was indeed the King with a coming kingdom – the Son of God.

57 When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

58 He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

Matthew 27:57-58

- Some victims of crucifixion would last days
 - The longest recorded was 13 days
 - The shortest was 32 hours
- To fulfil prophecy not a bone of Jesus was broken

Joseph of Arimathaea

- This man was notably wealthy
- He was held in very high regard
- He is called 'honourable counsellor' **Mk 15:43**
- Only 14 such men in the history of the nation!
- He & Nichodemus are granted Jesus body
- This very act would cause them to be 'excommunicated' and lose their office
- They take Jesus, anoint Him, and put Him in Joseph's tomb



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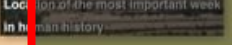
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Mark 16:1-3

Matthew

- 2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.
- 3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:
- 4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

Matt 28:2-4

Mark

4 *And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.*

Mark 16:4

Matthew

- 5 And the angel answered and said unto the women,
Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was
crucified.
- 6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the
place where the Lord lay.

Matt 28:5-6

Luke

3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

Luke 24:3

Mark

- 5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.
- 6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

Mark 16:5-8

Mark

- 7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.
- 8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.

Mark 16:5-8

Luke

- 4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:
- 5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?
- 6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,

Luke 24:4-9

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John

² Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.

John 20:2

Luke

- IO** *It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.*
- II** *And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.*

Luke 24:10-11

John

- 3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.
- 4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.
- 5 And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

John 20:3-5

John

- 6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,
- 7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.
- 8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

John 20:6-8

John

- 9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.
- 10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.
- 11 But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

John 20:9-11

John

- I2** And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.
- I3** And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.
- I4** And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.

John 20:12-14

John

- 15** Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.
- 16** Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

John 20:15-16

John

17 *Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.*

John 20:17

Matthew

9 And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.

Matt 28:9

Matthew

10 Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

Matt 28:10

John

18 *Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.*

John 20:18

Order of Events

- The women were the first to the guarded tomb
- The morning after the Sabbaths (1st opportunity)
- *An* angel descended & moved the stone
- The guards 'freeze' in fear
- The women are encouraged to look inside
- Jesus' body is not there
- Another 'angel' reminds them what Jesus said
- They are then told to go and tell His disciples...
- And Peter!

The Power of Words

¹⁷ Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou also one of this man's disciples? He saith, **I am not.**

John 18:17

³⁷ For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

Matt 12:37

Order of Events

- The women then flee from the tomb
 - Because of the whole experience
 - Also because the guards...
 - ...Who go to the high priest & report back (Matt 28:11)
- They head back to where the disciples were
- But as they leave they encounter two men
- Dr Luke tells us specifically they were men
- Who were they? Why were they there?
- Two = witness – a clue?

Two Men

- 30 And, behold, there talked with him **two men**, which were Moses and Elias:
- 31 **Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.**
- 32 But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the **two men** that stood with him.

Luke 9:30-32

Order of Events

- Mary (being much younger) arrives back first...
- ...then the other women
- Peter and John go to investigate
 - This was a dangerous mission
 - What about the guards?
- John tells us he can run faster than Peter!...
- And arrives first, seeing the grave clothes
- Peter then arrives and goes straight in
 - No concern about defilement for him now
 - He had nothing left to lose!
- Peter notices, John records, the napkin

The Folded Napkin?

- Why did Jesus fold the linen burial cloth after His resurrection?
- Is it really significant?
- Yes!
- It said 'I am coming back!'

Key Points

- Peter and John then go home
- ‘Believing’ that the tomb was empty!
- Mary remains and then sees two angels in the tomb – just as the angels that sat at either end of the mercy seat – these angels are sitting either end of the place where Jesus body lay
- Mary then turns and sees Jesus but thinks He is the gardener – why?
- Maybe because He looked different?
- Maybe because if our eyes are focused on our problems we can’t behold Jesus

Key Points

- Jesus then reveals Himself to Mary
 - Nothing had changed except Mary's perception as her eyes are tuned from her own predicament to behold Jesus!
 - "God will alter the trying circumstances in 2 seconds when He chooses!" – Oswald Chambers
- Then Jesus meets the other women en route
- He bids them to hurry and tell the rest, and that He will meet them in Galilee

Why hurry?

- Because even now a rumour was circulating in Jerusalem:

The Official Story

11 ...behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept.

Matt 28:11-15

The Official Story

¹⁴ And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

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Matt 28:11-15

The Royal Guard

- This “watch”, was a royal roman guard made up of 16 highly trained roman soldiers
- Each would have a spear, a short sword, and a dagger,
- Each man also had 5 javelins inside of a curved shield
- Their primary weapon however was a sling
- They were trained to hit a target 70 ft. away
- They were the special forces of their day

The Royal Guard

- And if a commanding officer came and found just one of those guards asleep all 16 men in the guard would be killed
- So if one fell asleep the other guards would set their tunic on fire!
- In 390 A.D. as Rome was beginning to fall apart, the then Caesar commanded Flavius Viratus Ronitus (historian) to search the archives for military and tactical inspiration
- As a result he reconstructed this elite unit

The Royal Guard

- The tomb was sealed - either with wax/clay
- Ropes would have been put across the stone, with the seal or Rome in the centre
- If anyone broke the seal, the punishment was to be crucified upside down,
- If they couldn't catch you, they would crucify upside down every man, woman and child in your village ,
- That tomb was sealed and secure!

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Mark 16:1-3

- The women didn't know the Roman guard was there!

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Matthew 28:2-4

- How do we know this?
- Whose eye witness testimony is this!

The Inside Story!

- In Israel there were tax collectors who would stay in their office and do the paperwork...
- And others who would go out and about and collect taxes from the public
- Matthew was the latter, called 'publicans'
 - Because they collected from the public,
- As a servant of Rome he would always have had a roman soldier with him
 - With his shield and his spear to signify the authority of Rome,

The Inside Story!

- Matthew is the only Gospel writer to tell us what happened at the tomb...
- ...that an angel came down, and rolled the stone away,
- ...and what happened in the discussion with Pilate...
- ...and that the soldiers didn't go to Pilate when they fled the tomb, but to the priests,
- ...and that the priests paid the soldiers to keep quiet!

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Matthew 28:15

- Imagine saying that as a witness in a court room,
- “Your honor, it was the disciples”,
- “How do you know?”
- “Well, err, I was sound asleep when they came, that’s how I know!”

Passover Week April 6th-13th AD32 (10th-17th Nisan in the Jewish Calendar)

Saturday 9th	Sunday 10th	Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th	Friday 15th	Saturday 16th	Sunday 17th	
Sabbath Jesus arrives at Bethany after Sabbath has ended	Triumphal Entry 173,880 days complete Daniel 9:24-27	Fig tree cursed / Jesus turns the tables in the temple for the 2nd day running cf Matt 21:10-17 & Mark 11:15-19	Jesus gives 'Olivet discourse' stressing that deception will abound in the last days	Jesus & disciples prepare to eat the Passover meal this evening at sundown as it becomes the 14th	Feast of Passover Also: 'Day of Preparation'	Feast of Unleavened Bread High Sabbath John 19:31	Sabbath	Feast of Firstfruits 1st day of Week	
Exodus 12:3-6 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb... Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year... And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month; and the whole congregation of Israel shall kill it [between the evenings]*	John 12:12-13 On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.	Mark 11:12-14 And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee	Mark 11:20-21 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursed is withered away.	Mark 15:33-37 And when the sixth hour was come (12:00pm), there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour (3:00pm). And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?.....And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.	Jesus Crucified "Paid in full..." 3:00pm Luke 23:53-54 And he took [the body of Jesus] down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcher.....And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.	The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation (14th), that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day (15th), for that sabbath day was an high day. (See below) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.	Exodus 12:18 "In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even" - Thus for the whole 7 day period they were to eat unleavened bread	Resurrection! The empty tomb Mark 16:1-2 And when the sabbaths (Plural) were past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun.	
* The Hebrew word is 'Beyn' which means 'between' This is another evidence of the supernatural design of the Bible. Just as in this model, laid down some 600 years before, Jesus was 'taken' on the 10th, and as a Lamb without blemish, was killed on the 14th between the evenings, shedding His own blood to become our Passover Lamb, atoning for our sin once and for all.	Mark 11:10-11aBlessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things....	"So the evening and the morning were the first day" (Gen 1:5) Because of this the Jewish day starts at sundown and goes through to the following sundown, i.e. Evening then morning representing a complete 24 hour day.	Mark 14:1 After two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death.The disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover? And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.	Mark 15:42-43 And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, and honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.	"In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Matthew 27:62 Now the next day (15th), that followed the day of the preparation (that being the 14th), the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.	Mark 10:34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.	
Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)	10th Begins John 12:1-2 Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead. There they made him a supper (i.e. an evening meal)	11th Begins Mark 11:11b ...And now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.	12th Begins Mark 11:19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.	13th Begins Mary pours costly oil on Jesus' feet & anoints His head; Judas, incensed, decides to go to the chief priests. A plot is hatched and planned for the following evening - only 24 hours from start to finish.	14th Begins Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. Mark 14:12-18 And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and.... eat the passover?And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.	15th Begins 1st Night The Gospel - as defined by the Apostle Paul "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you, that what I delivered unto you, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures (1 Cor 15:1-6)	16th Begins 2nd Night According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits	17th begins 3rd Night	18th Begins Matt 12:40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth
NB: 'Passover' here is used to denote the 'festival' period commencing the 15th, not the supper on the 14th. It is also used this way in John 13:1 So after 6 days is the 15th & the feast.	Luke 22:1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.	John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;	Mount of Olives - Tuesday Where Jesus taught the disciples about the events that would precede His 2nd coming	Bethany	The empty tomb	Jerusalem	Location of the most important week in human history		
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19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for **fear of the Jews**, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

John 20:19

- 20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.
- 21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.
- 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

John 20:20-22

- Born Again!

- 16** Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee,
into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.
- 17** And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but
some doubted.

Matthew 28:15-17

- 18** And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.
- 19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
- 20** Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Matthew 28:18-20

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