

He's Alive! The Resurrection – April 4, 2010

**Matthew 27:57-61 (NIV)**

57 As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus.

58 Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him.

59 Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

60 and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.

61 Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.

**Matthew 27:62-66**

62 The next day, the one after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees went to Pilate.

63 "Sir," they said, "we remember that while he was still alive that deceiver said, 'After three days I will rise again.'

64 So give the order for the tomb to be made secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people that he has been raised from the dead. This last deception will be worse than the first."

65 "Take a guard," Pilate answered. "Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how."

66 So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard.

**Mark 16:1**

1 When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body.

**Matthew 28:2-4**

2 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it.

3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow.

4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

**Luke 24:1-8**

1 ... Very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

3 but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

4 While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.

5 In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?"

6 He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee:

7 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'

8 Then they remembered his words.

**Luke 24:9-11**

9 When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others.

10 It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles.

11 But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense.

**John 20:3-10**

3 So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb.

4 Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

5 He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in.

6 Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there,

7 as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen.  
8 Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.  
9 (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)  
10 Then the disciples went back to their homes

#### **John 20:11-18**

11 but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb  
12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.  
13 They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."  
14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.  
15 "Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."  
16 Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).  
17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"  
18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

#### **Matthew 28:11-15**

11 While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened.  
12 When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money,  
13 telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.'  
14 If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble."  
15 So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

#### **Luke 24:13-32**

13 Now that same day two of *the disciples* were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem.  
14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.  
15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them;  
16 but they were kept from recognizing him.  
17 He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast.  
18 One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?"  
19 "What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people.  
20 The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him;  
21 but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.  
22 In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning  
23 but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.  
24 Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."  
25 He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

26 Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"  
27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.  
28 As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther.  
29 But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.  
30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.  
31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.  
32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

**Luke 24:33-35**

33 They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together  
34 and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."  
35 Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

**John 20:19**

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

**Luke 24:37-40**

37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost.  
38 He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?  
39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."  
40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet.

**John 20:20-25**

20 ... The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.  
21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."  
22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.  
23 If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."  
24 Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came.  
25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

**John 20:26-31**

26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"  
27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."  
28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"  
29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."  
30 Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.  
31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

### **John 21:1-19, 25**

1 Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way:  
2 Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together.  
3 "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.  
4 Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.  
5 He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered.  
6 He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.  
7 Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.  
8 The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards.  
9 When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.  
10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."  
11 Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn.  
12 Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord.  
13 Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.  
14 This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.  
15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."  
16 Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."  
17 The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."  
18 I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go."  
19 Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!" ...  
25 Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.

### **Matthew 28:16-20**

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.  
17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.  
18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.  
19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

### **1 Corinthians 15:6-7**

6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.  
7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles

### **Luke 24:44-49**

44 He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."  
45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures.

46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,  
47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

48 You are witnesses of these things.

49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

#### **Acts 1:4-8**

4 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.

5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

6 So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.

8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

#### **Luke 24:50-51**

50 When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them.

51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.

#### **Acts 1:9-11**

9 ... he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

#### **Luke 24:52-53**

52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

#### **Philippians 3:10-11 (NIV)**

10 I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

11 and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.