

He Is Risen!

Luke 24:1-12

- I. An angel of the Lord rolled away the stone (v. 2)
- II. The women reacted with confusion, fear, and great joy (vv. 3-9)
- III. The disciples refused to believe it (vv. 9-11).
- IV. Peter responded by going to the tomb to see for himself (v. 12).

Review and Discuss

1. What additional information concerning the stone blocking Christ's tomb do we find in Matthew 28:2-4 and 24:2?
2. Read Matthew 28:5-8, Mark 16:5-8 and Luke 24:3-9. Describe the reactions of the women who visited the tomb of Jesus on resurrection morning.
3. How did the disciples respond to the women's report of the empty tomb? Why do you think they did not believe?
4. Describe the women's devotion to Jesus. How was this devotion rewarded?
5. How did God reward Peter for his zeal and action? What differences can we observe between Peter and John as they approached Christ's tomb?

Further Consideration

1. Explain how our Christian faith hinges on the resurrection and how this makes it different from all the world's religions.
2. What would Christianity be without the resurrection? What does this reveal about the area of our faith Satan would most like to attack?
3. How often do you use the resurrection of Christ as part of your presentation of the gospel to unbelievers? How does this compare with Peter's approach in the book of Acts?
4. How are you personally encouraged by Christ's appearance to Mary (John 20:11ff) and to Peter (1 Cor. 15:5).
5. If you were challenged concerning your belief in the resurrection of Christ, how would you answer? Based on His resurrection, what does the celebration of Resurrection Sunday mean to you?