

Gospel of John

Thursday Morning
Bible Class

John 19:38-20:23

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The Burial of Jesus – 19:38-42

†38 – Late afternoon before the Sabbath begins at 6:00

†Joseph of Arimathea – A secret follower of Jesus. A member of the Sanhedrin who did not consent to Jesus' verdict.

†39 – Joined by Nicodemus, also a member of the Sanhedrin and a follower of Jesus. He had brought burial spices.

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The Burial of Jesus – 19:38-42

†40 – They wrapped the body in strips of linen, layering in the spices.

†41 – A tomb nearby that belonged to Joseph (Matt. 27:60).

†42 – The closeness of the tomb allowed Joseph and Nicodemus to complete the burial before the Sabbath began. From the other Gospels, we know that the women saw where the tomb was.

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The Empty Tomb – 20:1-9

†Note: It is almost impossible to coordinate the 4 accounts of the resurrection, but rather than indicate a false story, this is evidence of it's truthfulness.

†1 – Very early on Sunday morning. (This is the 3rd day.)

†Mary Magdalene (part of a group?) comes to finish anointing the body.

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The Empty Tomb – 20:1-9

†None of the accounts indicate that they expected to find the tomb empty. All Mary saw was that the stone had been rolled away.

†2 – Without going in, she ran and told Peter and John that the body of Jesus had been taken away. She did NOT think that Jesus rose from the dead!

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The Empty Tomb – 20:1-9

†3 – Peter and John run to the tomb to see for themselves.

†4 – John arrived first.

†5 – He saw that the body was gone.

†6 – Peter went in and saw the burial cloths.

†7 – The face cloth was folded in a place by itself. The body had not been stolen!

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The Empty Tomb – 20:1-9

†8 – John saw and believed.

†9 – He didn't understand it all. Later he would find the Scriptural support for what had happened.

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Jesus appears to Mary – 20:10-18

†10 – They went back to their homes? Not tell anyone?

†11 – Mary had gone back to the tomb. She does not believe that Jesus had risen.

†12 – She saw two angels.

†13 – They ask Mary why she's crying, and she says the body has been stolen.

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Jesus appears to Mary – 20:10-18

†14 – In John's account, the angels do not tell Mary that Jesus had risen. Jesus is there, but she doesn't recognize him because she did not expect to see Jesus.

†15 – "Who are you looking for?" We see what we expect to see.

†16 – Jesus' voice broke through her grief.

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Jesus appears to Mary – 20:10-18

†17 – She reaches out to hug him. Greek: “touch” or “cling to”. Jesus is not saying “don’t touch me.” but don’t hang on.

†What he needs her to do is to go and tell the other disciples that he has risen, and that he will be ascending soon.

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Jesus appears to Mary – 20:10-18

†18 – Mary went and told the disciples. John doesn’t tell us what their reaction was.

†Luke: the announcement by the women, “seemed to them an idle tale.” (Lk 24:11)

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Jesus appears to the disciples – 20:19-23

†19 – John and Luke both record this visit. John makes it clear that it is the day of the resurrection.

†They are in a locked room, but Jesus appears.

†20 – They had to be convinced that it was really Jesus.

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Jesus appears to the disciples – 20:19-23

†21 – “Peace be with you.” (The prophecy of the Bethlehem angels: “Peace on those on whom his favor rests.”)

†Note the transfer of authority: From the Father to the Son to the disciples.

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Jesus appears to the disciples – 20:19-23

†22 – He “breathed” on them. Same word as “spirit.” This is what God did when he created Adam. Jesus gives them new life.

†A fulfillment of Ezek. 37:9

†23 – “Forgive anyone.” “Those whose sins you forgive have already been forgiven.”

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