

- 1 Bible Discoveries: New Testament Survey Series by Sarah Overstreet Midyett
The Life of Christ: Passion Week through the Ascension

RESURRECTION AND APPEARANCES
(FORTY DAYS, BEGINNING WITH RESURRECTION SUNDAY)

Matthew 27:62 – 28:15; Mark 16:1 – 14;
Luke 23:56 – 24:49; John 20 20:1 - 31

Only three hours remained after Jesus' death until the Sabbath began at sundown. After His burial, the time was even shorter. See what was done during this time, and in the days which followed:

A. Events Between the Burial and the Resurrection: Read Matthew 27:62-66

1. After the women saw where Jesus was buried, what did they do that same afternoon?
Luke 23:56a _____
2. What did they do after the Sabbath began at sundown? Luke 23:56b

3. What did the Jewish officials do on the Sabbath day? Matthew 27:62-66

4. What did the women do when the Sabbath was past, probably at sundown on Saturday?
Mark 16:1 _____
5. When did they come to the tomb? John 20:1; Mark 16:2

6. What were they discussing on their way to the tomb? Mark 16:3

B. Events on Resurrection Morning: Read Matthew 28:1-15

1. What happened probably just before the women arrived at the tomb? Matthew 28:2-4

2. What important event had already happened before this? (*THINK!*)

3. When they saw the tomb already opened, which of the women ran back to tell Peter and John what had happened? John 20:1, 2

4. What message was given to the other women, that Mary Magdalene seems to have missed? Matthew 28:4-6; Mark 16:6

5. Of what did the angel also remind the women? Luke 24:6-8

6. To whom were they to carry the message that Jesus would meet them in Galilee?
Matthew 28:7; Mark 16:7

7. What feelings overwhelmed the women as they left the tomb? Matthew 28:8; Mark 16:8

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8. When Peter and John came to the tomb in response to Mary Magdalene's message, how did they react? Read John 20:3-10
 - a. Luke 24:12 (Peter) _____
 - b. John 20:8 (John) _____
9. How did the disciples react when they heard the report of
 - a. the women? Luke 24:9-11 _____
 - b. Mary Magdalene? Mark 16:9-11 _____
10. What did the Jewish leaders do when they heard what had happened?
Matthew 28:11-15 _____

C. Events Following the Resurrection: Read John 20:19-31

1. To what others did Jesus appear on resurrection afternoon?
 - a. Luke 24:34; 1 Corinthians 15:5 _____
 - b. Mark 16:12; Luke 24:13-33a _____
2. To whom did He appear on resurrection evening? Mark 16:14; Luke 24:33b-43; John 20:19, 20 _____
3. To whom did He appear a week later? John 20:26-29
(Three other appearances of Jesus following His resurrection will be studied in connection with the following lesson.)

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Could there be any possible doubt that Jesus really rose from the dead?
(See Acts 1:3a) _____
2. What emotion does the certainty of Jesus' resurrection bring to my heart?
