

The Tomb is Empty!

Matthew 28:1-4

(series #163)

Intro: the importance of the resurrection of Jesus

I. Precautions to Keep Jesus in the Tomb

- A. A Solid Rock Tomb of One Entrance
- B. The Jewish Burial Customs - John 19:39
- C. The Large Stone against the Entrance
- D. The Roman Guard Unit
- E. The Roman Seal

II. The Explanation - Matthew 28:1-4

- A. A group of women came early Sunday
- B. An angel descended from heaven
- C. There was a great earthquake
- D. An angel rolled back the stone
- E. The guards fell as dead

III. False Theories of the Resurrection

- A. The Disciples Stole the Body - Matt 28:11-15
- B. The Romans & Jews Took the Body
- C. The Women went to the Wrong Tomb
- D. The Swoon Theory

IV. Some Evidences for the Resurrection

- A. The change in the family of Jesus
- B. The empty tomb
- C. The change in the disciples

Concluding applications

- For Believers - 1st Corinthians 15:58

- For Unbelievers - Acts 17:30-31