

1 On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark. She saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2 So she went running to Simon Peter and to the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said to them, “They’ve taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they’ve put him!”...

11 But Mary stood outside the tomb, crying. As she was crying, she stooped to look into the tomb. 12 She saw two angels in white sitting where Jesus's body had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13 They said to her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "Because they've taken away my Lord," she told them, "and I don't know where they've put him."

14 Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know it was Jesus. 15 “Woman,” Jesus said to her, “why are you crying? Who is it that you’re seeking?”

Supposing he was the gardener, she replied, “Sir, if you’ve carried him away, tell me where you’ve put him, and I will take him away.”

16 Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

Turning around, she said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!”—which means “Teacher.”

17 “Don’t cling to me,” Jesus told her, “since I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”

18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them what he had said to her.

**What does the Resurrection
actually do for US today?**

THE RESURRECTION of JESUS...

...meets us in our deepest grief.

**The Resurrection doesn't ERASE sorrow...
It ENTERS it and TRANSFORMS it.**

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**25 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one
who believes in me, even if he dies, will live.”**

—JOHN 11:25 (CSB)

THE RESURRECTION of JESUS...

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...reveals Jesus personally, not just *theologically*.

...turns followers into witnesses.

But go to my brothers and tell them that I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”

—JOHN 20:17

**The Resurrection doesn't *just* comfort you—
It **COMMISSIONS** you.
If you've **SEEN** Him... you're **SENT** by Him.**

An encounter with the Risen Jesus...
never leaves you where you are.
It *moves* you.
It *changes* you.
It *sends* you.

30 Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.