

# He Has Risen!

Mark 15:40-16:8

## Easter 2023



- loss of hope

### DEFINITELY DEAD (15:40-47)

- **dead** (vv. 40-45)
  - o three women
  - o "many other women"
  - o the Sanhedrin member
  - o the centurion
  - o the governor
- **buried** (vv. 46-47)

### REALLY RAISED (16:1-7)

- **dead ends** (vv. 1-3)
  - o 'the wrong tomb theory'
  - o 'a hallucination theory'

o 'early church fabrication theory'

- **solid evidence** (vv. 4-7)

o empty tomb

o physical appearances

### ABSOLUTELY ASTONISHING (16:8)

- **trembling and astonishment**

o who is Jesus?

o why did he come?

o what does it mean to follow him?

- **fear and silence**

➤ *Believe and tell others the astonishing news that Jesus really has been raised from death to life.*



# Mark 15:40 – 16:8



**15:40** Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joseph, and Salome. <sup>41</sup> In Galilee these women had followed him and cared for his needs. Many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem were also there.

<sup>42</sup> It was Preparation Day (that is, the day before the Sabbath). So as evening approached, <sup>43</sup> Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. <sup>44</sup> Pilate was surprised to hear that he was already dead. Summoning the centurion, he asked him if Jesus had already died. <sup>45</sup> When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he gave the body to Joseph. <sup>46</sup> So Joseph bought some linen cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the linen, and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup> Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

**16:1** When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. <sup>2</sup> Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb <sup>3</sup> and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

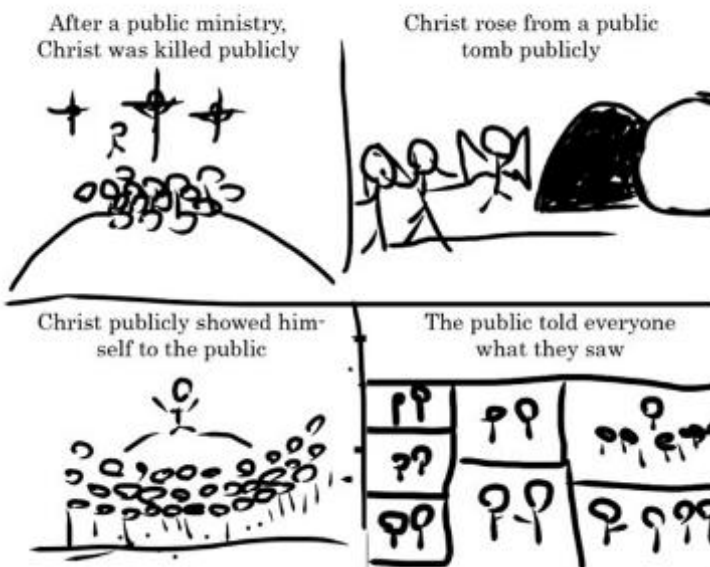
<sup>4</sup> But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

<sup>6</sup> "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

<sup>8</sup> Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

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## How Christianity Started



## How Other Religions Started

