

Matthew 28:1-6 (NKJV) Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. {2} And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. {3} His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. {4} And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. {5} But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. {6} "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

I The Gospel Message

- **John 3:16-18** (NKJV) "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. {17} "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. {18} "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

II Jesus said I AM the Resurrection and the life

- **John 11:25** (NKJV) Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.

III The dead are raise to life

- The Prodigal son was dead but came to life after his confession of sin
- The widow's only son brought back to life
- The rulers daughter **Mark 5:22-23** (NKJV) And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet {23} and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live."
- **Mark 5:35-42** (NKJV) While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" {36} As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe." {37} And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. {38} Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. {39} When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." {40} And they laughed Him to scorn. But when He had put them all out, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. {41} Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." {42} Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement.
- LAZARUS **John 11:37-44** (NKJV) And some of them said, "Could not this Man, who opened the eyes of the blind, also have kept this man from dying?" {38} Then Jesus, again groaning in Himself, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. {39} Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days." {40} Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?" {41} Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. {42} "And I know that You always hear Me, but because of the people who are standing by I said this, that they may believe that You sent Me." {43} Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" {44} And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Loose him, and let him go."

IV We were Dead

- **Ephesians 2:1** (NKJV) And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,

V DEAD in Sin?

- **John 1:10-12** (NKJV) He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. {11} He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. {12} But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name: