

Jesus' Resurrection from the Dead near Jerusalem
AM Service Mark 16:1-8 April 17, 2022

Introduction

Gospel – euangelion – good news

Jesus' Journey to Jerusalem (8:31–10:52)

Jesus' Ministry in and around Jerusalem (11:1–13:37)

Jesus' Suffering and Death in Jerusalem (14–15)

Jesus' Resurrection from the Dead near Jerusalem (16:1–8)

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Context

A. The women's arrival at the tomb (16:1–5)

1. The participants

2. The purpose

a. Brought spices

b. Anoint Jesus

Mark 8:31 And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

Mark 9:31 For He taught His disciples and said to them, "The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day."

Mark 10:33-34

33 "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; 34 and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again."

3. The problem

4. The surprise

5. The entry

Comments

a. These are real people at a real event.

b. It started as a very disturbing event.

B. The angel's announcement (16:6–7)

1. The command

2. The confirmation

3. The announcement

Acts 3:14-15

14 But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses.

Rom 8:11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

1 Peter 1:17-21

17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you 21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

John D. Grassmick

“The angel’s message clearly identified the Risen One as the Crucified One, both referring to the same historical Person, and it revealed the meaning of the empty tomb. The certainty of the Resurrection rests on the angel’s message from God which people then and now are called on to believe. The historical fact of the empty tomb confirms it.”

4. The task

Comment

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“These women were the first to hear the news of Jesus’ resurrection, but their reports were disregarded initially as women were not considered eligible witnesses under Jewish law. The disciples did not go to Galilee immediately. Jesus’ additional appearances to them in the Jerusalem vicinity were necessary to convince them of the reality of His resurrection (cf. John 20:19–29).”

C. The women’s response to the news of Jesus’ resurrection (16:8)

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“The abrupt ending is consistent with Mark’s style and punctuates his development of the themes of fear and astonishment throughout his Gospel.

The reader is left to ponder with awe the meaning of the empty tomb as interpreted by the angel’s revelatory message.”

How about you?

1. Do you believe in the resurrection?

John MacArthur

“Christ’s resurrection is one of the central truths of the Christian faith (1 Cor. 15:4) and the only plausible explanation for the empty tomb. Even the Jewish leaders did not deny the reality of the empty tomb, but concocted the story that the disciples had stolen Jesus’ body (Matt. 28:11–15). The idea that the fearful (John 19:19), doubting (vv. 11, 13; Luke 24:10, 11) disciples somehow overpowered the Roman guard detachment and stole Jesus’ body is absurd. That they did it while the guards were asleep is even more preposterous. Surely, in moving the heavy stone from the mouth of the tomb, the disciples would have awakened at least one of the soldiers. And in any case, how could the guards have known what happened while they were asleep? Many other theories have been sinfully invented over the centuries to explain away the empty tomb, all of them equally futile.”

The resurrection is God’s confirmation of the salvation available to sinful man through Jesus Christ.

2. Are you a believer?

3. Are you in awe of your amazing God?

Hymn 358 Because He Lives

~ Pastor Mark D. Montgomery