

Now put yourself in the story.

If you had been one of Jesus' followers, (disciples) and you had seen Jesus be crucified, die and buried, how would you be feeling?

If you were one of Jesus' disciples, and on Sunday morning, three days after Jesus' crucifixion and death, some women came and told you that Jesus' body was missing from the tomb and that two angels had told them that He had risen from the dead, what would you feel and think? _____

Application

List some reasons why it is so important to you that Jesus rose from the dead? Why is it important that our precious Savior is alive and not still dead?

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Three days in the
grave ...

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*“He is not here; he has risen, ...
Come and see the place where he lay.”*

Matt 28: 5-6

THREE DAYS IN THE GRAVE

Matthew 27: 57– 28:10

Jesus began to teach his disciples ... that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. (?1)

Mark 8:31

After the crucifixion, while Jesus' body was still on the cross ... As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him.

Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb (?2) that he had cut out of the rock. (?3) He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. ... (?4)

After the Sabbath, at dawn on (Sunday) the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow ... (?5)

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead ... (?6)

Matthew 27: 57– 28:7

QUESTIONS

1. What did Jesus teach his disciples would happen to him after he was killed (crucified)?

2. Explain how Jesus' body got off the cross and into a tomb, a grave. _____

3. What type of grave or tomb was Jesus' body put into? _____

4. What was rolled in front of the tomb or cave that Jesus' body was placed into?

5. Three days later, around sunrise on Sunday morning, what happened?

6. What did the angel say to the women who came to see Jesus' dead body?
