



Alive Again!

A man named Joseph from Arimathea went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Joseph, a rich man, was a disciple of Jesus. He took the body of Jesus down from the cross. He wrapped it in a linen cloth and put it in his own new tomb, or burying place.

Pilate, the ruler, put guards at the tomb because some men were afraid Jesus' disciples would steal his body from the grave and then say that he had been raised from the dead.

Early Sunday morning some women went to the tomb. They brought some spices that they had prepared to put on the body of Jesus. There was a great earthquake, and an angel came and rolled back the stone from in front of the tomb. Then the angel sat on the big stone.

The angel said to the women, "Don't be afraid, Jesus is not here. He has risen, as he said he would. Come and see where he lay."

The angel told them to tell this to the disciples. As they were leaving, Jesus met them. He said, "Tell my brothers to go to Galilee and there they will see me." They *did* see him and he ate with them.

Two men were going to the village of Emmaus. Jesus started walking along with them and talking to them. Later when they were ready to eat, Jesus gave thanks and broke the bread. Instantly they recognized him. They went to find the Eleven to tell them what had happened.

How happy they were! Jesus was alive again!

The story of the Resurrection can be found in each of the gospels. We looked in the book of Luke, chapter 24.

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