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The Day Death Died



The Day Death Died Part 1-THE CROSS & Part 2-THE TOMB



Part SUPERNATURAL

#1 : DARKNESS FALL

#2 : CURTAIN TORN

#3 : EARTH SHOOK & ROCK SPLITS

#4 : TOMB OPENED & DEAD SAINTS RAISED

Part 2: JHE NIRACIES TOMB MATTHEW 28

Matthew 28:1-4

1 Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went 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 and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4 And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.

Matthew 28:5-7

5 But the angel 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 has risen, as he said. *Come, see the place where he lay.* 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.

Matthew 28:8-10

8 So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Matthew 28:11-13

11 While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. 12 And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers 13 and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.

Matthew 28:14-15

14 And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." 15 So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been **spread** among the Jews to this day.

Matthew 28:16-17

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted.

Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

WHAT ARE THE SIGNIFICANT HAPPENINGS ATTHE TOMB?

#1: THE WOMEN, THE ANGEL & THE GUARD

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WHO WERE THE WOMEN?

Mark 16:1 When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

So, 1-Mary Magdalene, 2-Mary the mother of James, and 3-Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

WHO WERE THE WOMEN?

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2-Mary the mother of James, and
3-Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.
4-Joanna

Luke 24:10

¹⁰Now it was **Mary** Magdalene and **Joanna** and **Mary** the mother of James and **the other women** with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

WHY THE WOMEN?

1-Social and cultural norms;
2-Legal and Social status;
3-Lack Autonomy;
4-Primary Domestic role;
5-Religions role/position;

Undervalued Limited Legal rights Adds credibility and authenticity to the accounts.

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THE GUARD?

Matthew 28:4

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#2 : THE APPEARANCE OFJESUS

Matthew 28:9-10

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THE CONSPIRACY OF THE TOMB

#1: THE STOLEN BODY THEORY

The disciples
The Jews
The Romans

THE CONSPIRACY OF THE TOMB

Matthew 27 62 The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the **Pharisees** gathered before Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.' 64 Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." $_{65}$ Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you *can.* " 66 So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

CONSPIRACY OF THE TOMB

#1: THE STOLEN BODY THEORY

- The disciples
- The Jews
- The Romans

Why would they steal the body?

#2: **THE SWOONED THEORY:**

• Jesus didn't die

THE CONSPIRACY OF THE TOMB

#3: THE HALLUCINATION THEORY

#4: THE MISTAKEN-IDENTITY THEORY

#5: THE EMPTY TOMB THEORY

Imagining seeing and hearing Jesus after his death

Someone else was crucified Went to the wrong tomb?

THE CONSPIRACY OF THE TOMB

#6: THE TWIN THEORY

Jesus had identical twin

#7: THE EARLY-CHURCH MADE THE STORY THEORY

1 Corinthians 15:14-19 NIV

¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. 15 More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either.

1 Corinthians 15:17-19 ESV

17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.
18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.
19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

#4 : THE COMMISSION TO GO

Matthew 28:18-20

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The Disciples obeyed = Went + Saw + Worshipped But Some Doubted

Reflection :

Where do you stand?

The Chief Priest?
The Unbelieving Jews?

The Roman Governor, Pilate?
The Roman Tomb Guard?
The Skeptics-Doubter?

The Roman Centurion?
The Women?
The Disciples?

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