

# The Man who came back from the dead



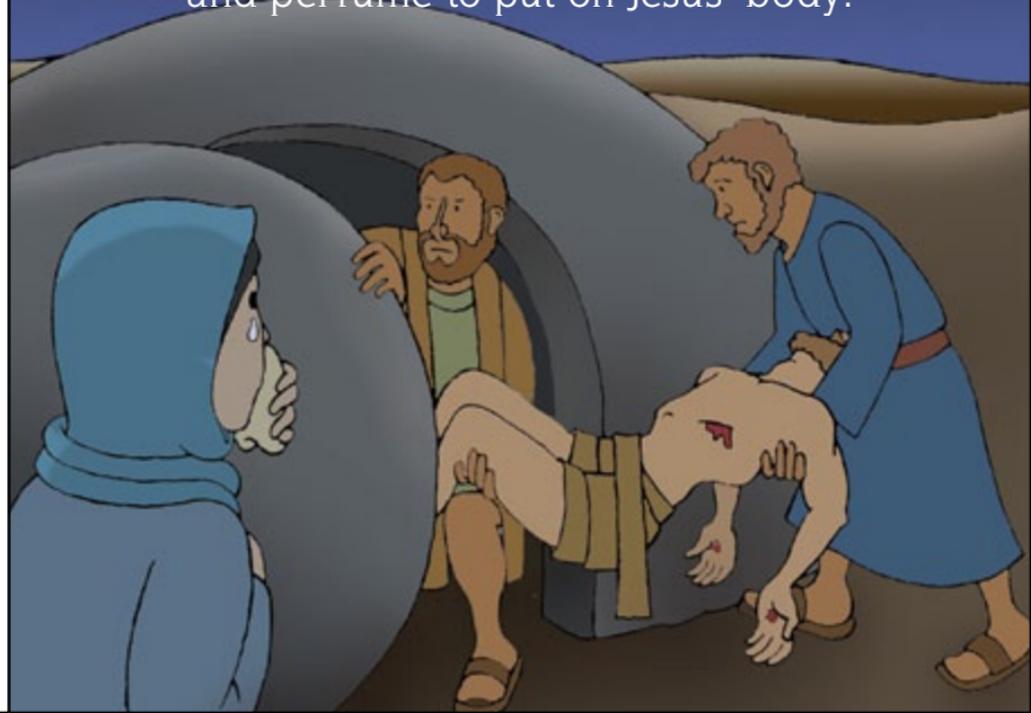


Jesus was put to death on Good Friday. One of His dear friends, Mary Magdalene was very sad because Jesus was such a wonderful and kind man.

“Why did He have to die?” she wondered.

That night, friends of Jesus took His body, wrapped it in cloths and carried Him to a tomb. Then they covered the entrance with a heavy stone.

Mary went home to prepare jars of spices and perfume to put on Jesus’ body.



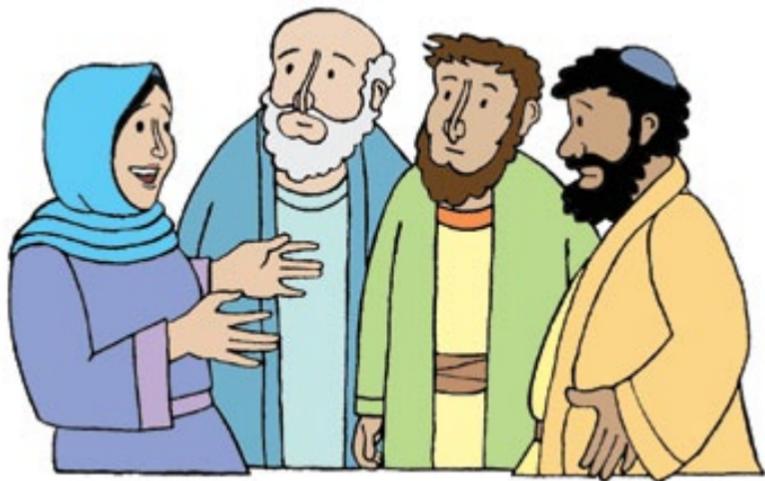


Very early on Sunday morning, Mary returned to the tomb with the spices. She was surprised that the heavy stone had already been rolled away.

She rushed inside and discovered the body of Jesus had gone! Where was Jesus? Only His grave clothes remained.



Suddenly, two angels appeared before Mary and she was frightened. The angels said, "Why are you looking for the living among the dead? He is not here. He has come alive again! Go and tell His friends."



Mary was filled with joy. She ran to tell Jesus' other friends the wonderful news. Jesus was alive again just as He had said he would be. At first, they could not believe Mary's story. It seemed impossible. How could Jesus be alive again after He was dead?

Later that day, Jesus came to them and they saw Him with their own eyes. They talked with Him, touched Him, and ate a meal with Him. Now they knew what Mary had said was true, Jesus really had come back from the dead!



When Jesus died on the cross He was being punished. Jesus never did anything wrong. The Bible teaches us that Jesus took the punishment deserved by others, so that everyone who believes and trusts in Him could be forgiven.

If you ask Him, He will forgive you. He will also become your friend and you will live with Him in Heaven forever.

The Bible says: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16

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