



Jesus Escapes
From the Grave

Our Problem

²³ And He was saying to them, “You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. ²⁴ Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am, you will die in your sins.”

John 8:23-24 NASB20

God's Solution

²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; the one who believes in Me will live, even if he dies, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 11:25-26 NASB20

God's Solution

¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but so that the world might be saved through Him.

John 3:16-17 NASB20

First Look v. 1-10

- Mary – “Where did they move Jesus’ body?” (v. 2)
- Peter and John – “What just happened?”
 - Faith (v. 8)
 - But incomplete faith (v. 9-10, 2:22)



John 20

Mary Magdalene v. 11-18

- Overwhelming grief (v. 11, 13, 15)
- Transformation to relief (v. 16) and assurance (v. 17)
- Where do we find hope in loss?



John 20

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers *and sisters*, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as indeed the rest *of mankind do*, who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose *from the dead*, so also God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep through Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 NASB20

Ten Disciples v. 19-23

- Hiding in fear (v. 19)
- Transformation to joy (v. 20, John 16:20-22)



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³² *It is* this Jesus *whom* God raised up, *a fact* to which we are all witnesses ... ³⁶ Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Acts 2:32, 36 NASB20

⁴¹ So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for *His* name. ⁴² And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not stop teaching and preaching the good news of Jesus *as* the Christ.

Acts 5:41-42 NASB20

⁸ *we are* afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying around in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. ¹¹ For we who live are constantly being handed over to death because of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our mortal flesh.

2 Corinthians 4:8-11 NASB20

Ten Disciples v. 19-23

- Hiding in fear (v. 19)
- Transformation to joy (v. 20, John 16:20-22)
- What are you afraid of?



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Doubting Thomas v. 24-29

- He demanded evidence (v. 25)
 - Jesus provided (v. 27, also v. 20)
 - Faith is not blind (v. 29-31)



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⁸ And they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to report to His disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Rejoice!" And they came up and took hold of His feet, and worshiped Him.

Matthew 28:8-9 NASB20

⁵⁰ And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ While He was blessing them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they, after worshiping Him, returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple praising God.

Luke 24:50-53 NASB20

Doubting Thomas v. 24-29

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 - Jesus provided (v. 27, also v. 20)
 - Faith is not blind (v. 29-31)
- Transformation to worship (v. 28)
- Are you worshipping and serving God?



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You and Me v. 30-31

- An invitation to consider the evidence
- An invitation to believe without seeing (1 Peter 1:3, 8-9)

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³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ... ⁸ and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, ⁹ obtaining as the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1:3, 8-9 NASB20

You and Me v. 30-31

- An invitation to consider the evidence
- An invitation to believe without “seeing” (1 Peter 1:3, 8-9)
- An invitation to be transformed from death to life (v. 31)



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