

The Empty Tomb

"When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. 'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. **He has risen!** He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."" Mark 16:4-8

- The resurrection account is recorded in all three of the synoptic records and the gospel of John.
- They found it empty.
- The empty tomb was a supernatural event fulfilling many prophecies.
- Jesus endured extreme brutality and died for our sins (internal & external case).

"Christus, the founder of the name, had undergone the death penalty in the reign of Tiberius, by sentence of the procurator Pontius Pilatus, and the pernicious superstition was checked for a moment, only to break out once more..." Tacitus

The Resurrection

- Was a miraculous event.
- Was a historical event.
- Shapes our identity.
- Shapes our trajectory.
- Is a message of hope.
- Offers hope and power.
- Through the resurrection, Jesus defeated death (both physical and spiritual).

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