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Easter Reflection

"Jesus folds the napkin?"

Gospel of John 20:7

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The Bible doesn't end with Resurrection !



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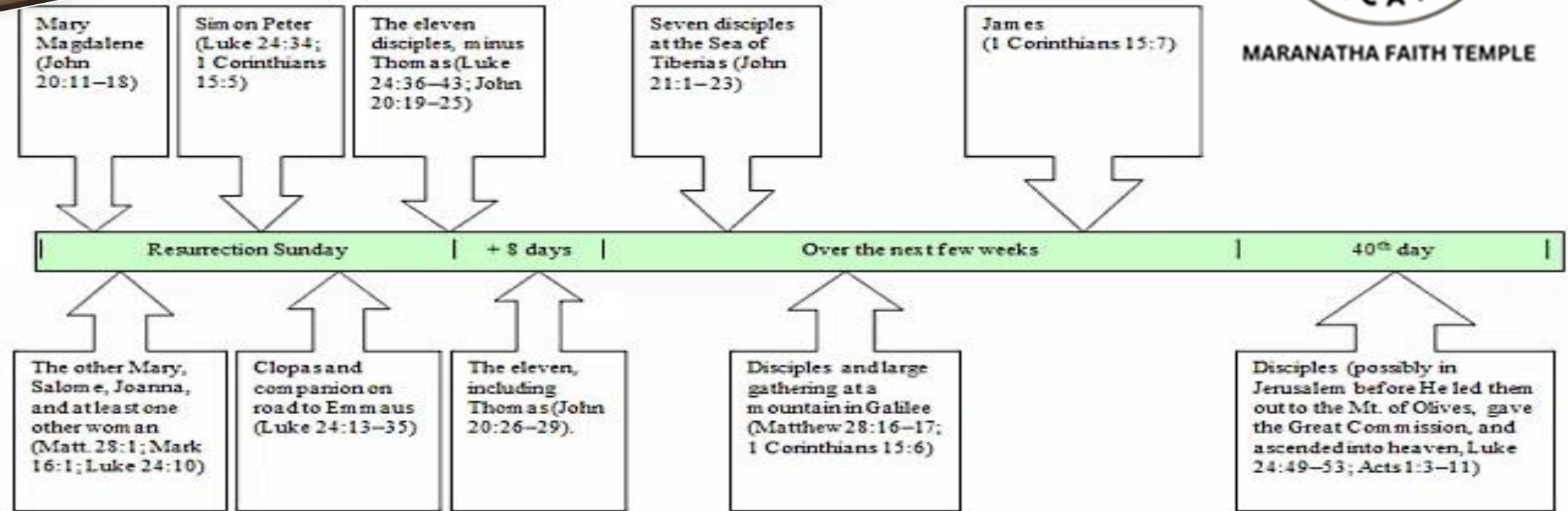


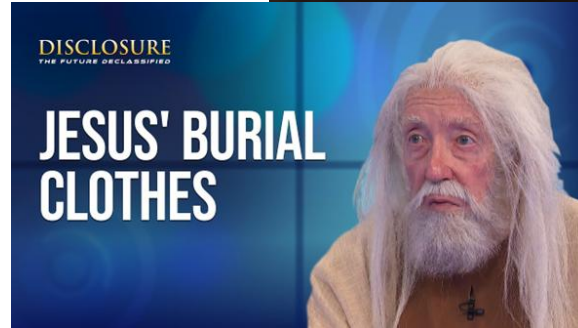


Timeline of the Post-Resurrection Appearances



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Lesson 1- May 4

The Miracle of The New Horizon

Matthew 28:10-20 ,
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Theory- but convincing
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Commentary for Lesson 1: What Did Jesus Do After His Resurrection? The Bible Doesn't End with Easter.(Resurrection)

By Leslie White



He appeared to Mary Magdalene.

A great earthquake had taken place. An angel clad in brilliant white – the Bible says his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow – rolled away the stone. In terror, the Roman guards fell to the ground. Meanwhile, when Mary Magdalene and Mary, James's mother, came to the tomb, the angel told them, "Do not be fearful, for I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said He would. Come, see the place where He was." Cautiously, Mary Magdalene obeyed. There, she viewed two angels in white, sitting where the body had been. The Bible tells us they said to her, "**Why are you weeping?**" Mary responded, "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have laid Him."

Then, the Bible tells us Mary Magdalene turned and saw Jesus standing behind her. But she didn't recognize Him – apparently thinking He was the gardener. Gently, He asked, "Woman, why are you weeping? Who do you seek?" She answered, "Sir, if you have carried Him off, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Then **Jesus** simply spoke her name, "Mary!" She exclaimed. "Teacher!" then reached out to touch Him. Gently, He said to her, "No, I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go tell the others." Astonished, she rushed to the disciples, announcing, "We have seen the Lord!" The fact that Jesus appeared first to a woman is not something to overlook. During that time, women were among the lowest of the low. Even after He was raised from the dead, Christ still looked first to the oppressed.



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Lesson 1- May 4

The Miracle of The New Horizon

John 20:1-18



John 20:1-10

¹ The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.

² Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.

³ Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.

⁴ So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

⁵ And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

⁶ Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

⁷ And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

⁸ Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

⁹ For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

¹⁰ Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.



Lesson 1- May 4

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John 20:1-18



Lesson 1: John 20:11-18

¹¹ But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

¹² And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

¹³ And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

¹⁴ And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

¹⁶ Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

¹⁷ Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

Commentary: The Miracle of The New Horizon

John 20:1-18

The passage John 20:1-18 narrates the resurrection of Jesus and the Encounter with Mary Magdalene.

1. **Empty Tomb:** Mary discovers the empty tomb and informs the disciples, signifying Jesus' victory over death.
2. **Mary's Encounter:** Jesus appears to Mary, calling her by name, which emphasizes the personal relationship between Jesus and His followers.
3. **Commissioning:** *Mary is tasked with sharing the news of the resurrection with the disciples*, highlighting her role as the first witness to the resurrection.
4. **Significance:** This event marks the beginning of a new creation and the fulfillment of Jesus' promise of eternal life. These insights illustrate the profound implications of the resurrection for believers and the early Christian community.





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The Miracle of The New Horizon

Matthew 28:10-20



Matthew 28:10-20

¹⁰ Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

¹¹ Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

¹² And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

¹³ Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept.

¹⁴ And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

¹⁵ So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

¹⁷ And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.



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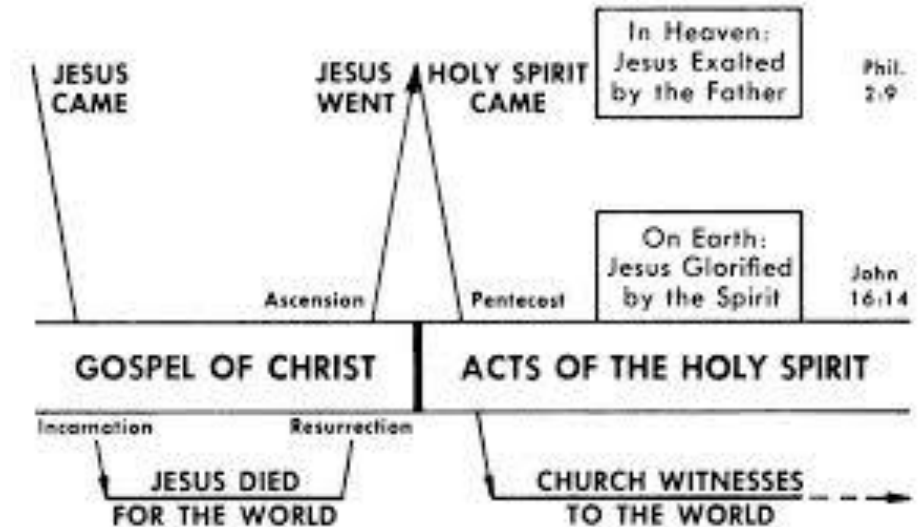
Matthew 28:10-20



¹⁸ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying,
All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing
them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Ghost:

²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I
have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you





Commentary: What is the meaning of the face-cloth rolled up in John 20:7? *Dick Harfield*



And the napkin that was about his head,... The word rendered "napkin", is thought to be originally Latin, and signifies an handkerchief, with which the sweat is wiped off the face, and so it is used in Acts 19:12 but Nonnus says it is a common word with the Syrians, and the word is used in the Syriac version; and which he renders, , "the girdle, or binding of the head", for with this the head and face of the dead person were bound; see John 11:44. Now Peter, by going into the sepulchre, and looking about him, and examining things more strictly and narrowly, observed that which neither he nor John had taken notice of, when only stooping they looked in: and that is, that this head binder, or napkin, was not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself: and was plainly the effect of thought, care, and composure; and clearly showed, that the body was not taken away in a hurry, or by thieves, since everything lay in such order and decency; and which was done, either by our Lord himself, or by the angels.



What do you think the disciples were thinking, at this point?

If you were a disciple, what would you have thought?