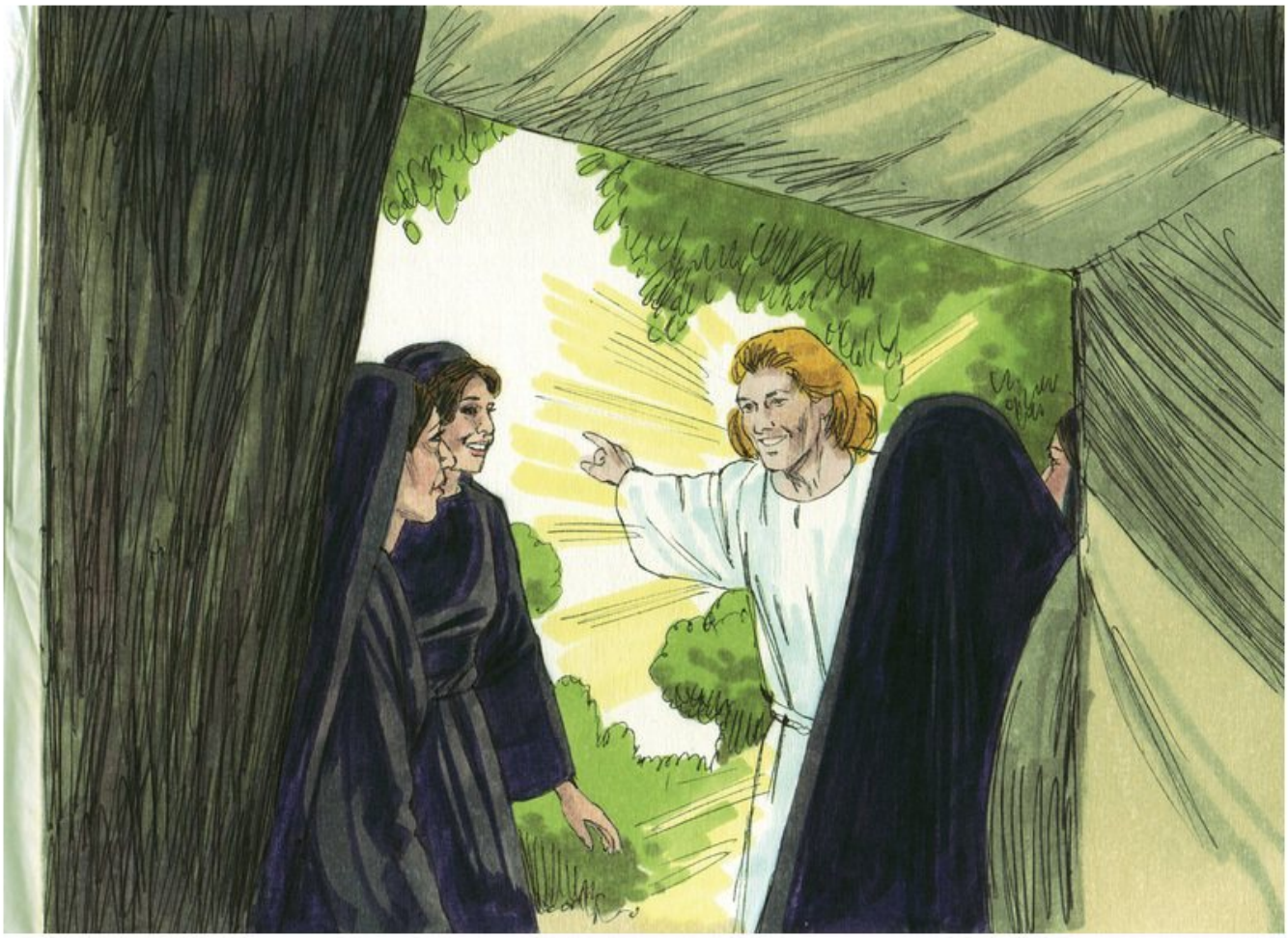
GENESIS TO REVELATION | BIBLE ACCOUNT

The Tomb Is Empty

Luke 24:1-12



YOUR BIBLE READING

Jesus rose from the dead, just as he had promised.

Inside: two extended reading pages, a thoughtful reflection, creative activities and a grown-up guide.

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EXTENDED ENGLISH READING • PAGE 1 OF 2

The Women at the Open Tomb

Luke 24:1-12



Jesus had died and been laid in a tomb. Early on the first day of the week, women who followed him came there with spices they had prepared for his body. They came to care for someone they had lost. Luke begins the resurrection account with that real death behind them and a morning visit ahead. They did not arrive expecting an ordinary meeting with Jesus beside the road.

When the women reached the tomb, the stone had been rolled away from its entrance. They went inside and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. This was confusing, and they wondered what had happened. An open entrance and an absent body raised questions. By themselves, those sights did not yet explain the joyful news they were about to receive from the messengers who appeared near them.

Two men stood beside them in dazzling clothes. The women were frightened and bowed with their faces toward the ground. The messengers asked why they were looking for the living among the dead. Jesus was not there, they said, because he had risen. Their message gave the empty tomb its meaning. Jesus had not merely been moved to another burial place; he had been raised from death.

The messengers reminded them of what Jesus had said while he was still in Galilee. The Son of Man would be handed over to sinful people, be crucified, and rise on the third day. The women had words from Jesus to connect with what they now heard. Their morning of confused searching was becoming a moment of remembering a promise that reached beyond the cross and the place of burial.

Remember: Jesus is alive; death did not end his story.

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Remembering and Carrying the News

Luke 24:1-12



The women remembered Jesus' words. They returned from the tomb and told the eleven apostles and the others what had happened. Luke names Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, together with other women. They were not merely background figures in the account. They carried the first report of the empty tomb and the message that explained it to Jesus' gathered followers.

At first, the listeners did not believe them. The news seemed like nonsense. Luke includes that difficult response instead of pretending that everyone immediately understood. The resurrection was astonishing, and the people receiving the report had to face something far beyond what they expected. Their disbelief does not make the women's witness unimportant. The women faithfully told what they had seen and what they had heard from the messengers.

Peter got up and ran to the tomb. He bent down to look inside and saw the linen cloths lying there by themselves. Then he went away wondering about what had happened. This part of Luke's account does not yet describe Peter seeing Jesus alive. It shows him investigating the report and finding the place as the women had described, with the burial cloths remaining and the body absent.

The heart of the good news is not only that a tomb was empty. It is that Jesus, who truly died, had risen and was alive. His story had not continued merely as a memory held by friends. The messengers announced a real victory over death, and the women were its first reporters in this account. Questions and surprise surrounded the news, but the promise they remembered now had a new light.

Pause and think: Which details help you understand what the women learned and why their message was so surprising?

THINK, NOTICE & GROW

An Astonishing Hope to Learn About



The women came with one expectation and received news they had not imagined. Sometimes understanding takes time. You can ask questions about a Bible account without pretending that everything is simple. An adult can help you read the details carefully: what was seen, what was said, who reported it, and what happened next. Looking closely is a way to learn, not a reason to feel ashamed.

The women remembered Jesus' words and shared them. A remembered promise can change the way a scene is understood. In ordinary life, a note, a story, or a shared memory can help us see more clearly too. Here, though, the message is greater than remembering alone: Jesus had truly risen. That is why the Christian celebration of Easter concerns a living Lord.

If you are grieving someone, the resurrection story offers hope without demanding that sadness vanish. You can miss a person and still learn about God's life-giving power. Speak honestly with someone you trust. The women began the morning in a place of loss, and the account makes room for their confusion before the good news became clearer.

A SMALL STEP FOR TODAY

The empty tomb meant that Jesus had truly risen from death and was alive.

Which details help you understand what the women learned and why their message was so surprising?

Read, Remember & Create

Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Think about the reading

1. What surprised the women at the tomb?

2. What did the messengers say had happened?

2 Put the ideas in order

Write 1, 2 and 3 for the order these ideas appear in the reading.

- ☐ They hear that Jesus has risen and remember his promise.
- ☐ They tell the others, and Peter visits the empty tomb.
- ☐ The women bring spices to Jesus' tomb.

3 Draw a meaningful picture

Draw the open tomb and the women receiving the good news.

Tell someone how your picture connects to the reading.

Read & Grow Together

Read and learn with context

This English edition is designed for ages 6-10 with an adult. Read both extended readings together, or enjoy one each day. Pause at unfamiliar words, invite questions and use the reflection page to connect the story with everyday life. These are retellings and lessons with explanations; read the listed Bible passage for context. Poetry, parables, letters and symbolic visions are identified by type.

Remember this

Jesus is alive; death did not end his story.
Original memory thought, not a direct Bible quotation. Related passage: Luke 24:6-8

A thoughtful conversation

Resurrection means Jesus truly died and was raised to life, not that he merely lived on in memories. Luke gives women the first report of this news. Let children ask questions without demanding an immediate emotional response.

Activity answers

1. The stone was moved and Jesus' body was not there.
2. Jesus had risen from the dead.
Sequence boxes, top to bottom: 2, 3, 1. Personal responses and drawings will vary.

Optional prayer

God, thank you that Jesus is alive. Fill us with hope as we learn this good news. Amen.

Print and share

Each pack has 6 pages. Print on A4 at Actual Size (100%). The worksheet is page 5. You may print just that page, or use the separate 150-page activity book. The collection contains 150 packs in Bible book order, 15 volumes and one ZIP. Catalog pack IDs stay the same when new readings are added.

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