

Conspiracy Theory

Matthew 28:11-15

I. The Problem (Matthew 28:1-11; Matthew 27:60; John 19:41; Psalm 16:10)

II. The Solution (Matthew 28:12-14; John 10:17-18; First Corinthians 15)

III. Theories of the Empty Tomb (John 19:31-33; Mark 15:42-45; Matthew 27:61; John 20:1-9; Mark 16:1; John 20:3-9; Luke 24:36-39; John 20:24-28; Matthew 28:9; Luke 24:15-30, 41-43; John 21:9-10)

IV. Bringing It Home

Questions to Ponder

- 1) Why did the Jews come up with the theory that the disciples stole Jesus' body?
- 2) How does the historical evidence of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection strengthen your faith in the face of conspiracy theories?
- 3) How can the disciples' willingness to face persecution and martyrdom for their belief in Jesus' resurrection impact our own faith and resolve in times of adversity?
- 4) In what ways can the historical and biblical evidence of Jesus' resurrection guide us in discerning and confronting modern-day skepticism and doubts about Christianity?