

A Synoptic Gospel Overview of the Events of Easter Sunday

MATTHEW 28:1-20

- 28:1** Time: day after worship, as the sun rose Sunday morning
Who: Mary from Magdala and the other Mary
- 28:2-8** Prelude to resurrection appearance #1
28:2 an earthquake occurs and an angel appears
28:5 the angel speaks to the women
- 28:9-10** Jesus' 1st resurrection appearance to the women
- 28:11-15** Chief priests and guards plan the cover up
- 28:16-20** Jesus' 2nd resurrection appearance
where: the mountain in Galilee
who: the 11 disciples
- 28:19** the great commission

MARK 16:1-8 [9-20]

- 16:1** Time: when the day of worship was over, on Sunday, very early
Who: Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome
- 16:2-8** Discovery of empty tomb
16:3-4 Women worry who will roll away the stone
16:5-7 Women encounter a young man who tells them Jesus is alive and to tell the disciples to go to Galilee
16:8 Women run away shocked and trembling. They did not tell anyone
- **** Some manuscripts and translations end here. Others add verses 9-20
- 16:9-11** Jesus appears to Mary of Magdala
- 16:12-13** Jesus appears to two disciples walking home
- 16:14-18** still later, Jesus appeared to the 11 apostles while they were eating
- 16:19** Jesus ascends to heaven
- 16:20** The disciples spread the Good News

LUKE 24:1-53

- 21:1** Time: very early on Sunday morning
who: the women
- 21:2-3** the women discover the empty tomb
- 21:4-8** two men in clothes as bright as lightning appeared and told the women that Jesus is alive
- 21:9-12** The women report to the 11 apostles and all the others
21:10 women identified as Mary from Magdala, Joanna, Mary, the mother of James, and other women
21:12 Peter runs to the tomb, discovers it is empty
- 21:13-35** The road to Emmaus
21:15 Jesus approaches 2 disciples but is unrecognized
21:18 one disciple identified as Cleopas
21:25-27 Jesus opens the scriptures to them
21:30-31 Jesus is made known in the breaking of bread, and vanishes
- 21:36-49** Jesus' 2nd resurrection appearance
where: back in Jerusalem
who: the 11 apostles who were gathered, the two from the road to Emmaus
- 21:50-51** Jesus ascends to heaven
21:52-53 disciples return to the temple and praise God