

DISCIPLE'S QUEST

*If you continue in My word, then you are
truly disciples of Mine.*

John 8:31



April 9, 2023

Matthew 27:62 – 28:15

The Resurrection

Main Idea:

Jesus is risen!

(No Outline today)

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 Who was Joseph of Arimathea? (See also John 19:38-42.)

Why was Joseph a “secret disciple” of Jesus?

What do you think compelled Joseph to ultimately identify with Jesus in such bold fashion?

How boldly do you identify with Jesus before the watching world?

In what way/ways can you be a better witness?

- #2 How did the chief priests and Pharisees show their hypocrisy in their meeting with Pilate in 27:62-64?

- #3 In spite of overwhelming evidence that Jesus is the Christ and Son of God, the religious leaders of the Jews refused to believe in Him. Why?

- #4 How did the chief priests and Pharisee inadvertently authenticate the reality of Jesus' resurrection by talking Pilate into having the tomb sealed and guarded by Roman soldiers?

- #5 Do you think that the courageous loyalty and faithfulness of Mary Magdalene led in part to their blessing in being first to see Jesus after His resurrection?

- #6 After listening to today's message, how would you describe the angel's missions in 28:1-7?

- #7 How does Matthew's description of the worship of the women proved that Jesus' risen body was a real body and not merely a spiritual apparition?

- #8 What does the resurrection of Jesus assure for His believers?

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