

THE EMPTY TOMB

Luke 24:1-12

But very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. So they went in, but they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? He isn't here! He has risen from the dead! Remember what he told you back in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day."

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Then they remembered that he had said this. So they rushed back from the tomb to tell his eleven disciples—and everyone else what had happened. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and several other women who told the apostle what had happened. But the story sounded like nonsense to the men, so they didn't believe it. However, Peter jumped up and ran to the tomb to look. Stooping, he peered in and saw the empty linen wrappings; then, he went home again, wondering what had happened.



1. Total forgiveness

Luke 23:34

Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do."

Justified by faith

Just-if-ied

Just if I'd never sinned



2. Immediate Paradise

Luke 23:43

And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise."



2 Corinthians 5:6-8

Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body, we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

"Sudden Death, Sudden Glory"



3. Never Forsaken

Matthew 27:46

About three in afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" My God, My God, why have you forsaken me



Hebrews 13:5

Because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

"As to my sin, I hear its harsh accusings no more when I hear Jesus, Why hast thou forsaken me? I know that I deserve the deepest hell at the hand of God's vengeance; but I am not afraid. He will never forsake me, for he forsook his Son on my behalf. I shall not suffer for my sin, for Jesus has suffered to the full in my place." Charles Spurgeon

4. Constant care

John 19:26-27

When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, here is your mother." From that time on, the disciple took her into his home.



5. Full Atonement

John 19:28

After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!"

Atonement- reparation for an offense, human oneness with God At-one with God



John 17:21

That they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent me.

Luke 22:42

"Father, if it is your will, take this cup away from me; nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done."



John 18:11

Jesus commanded Peter, "Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given me?"



6. Completely finished John 19:29-30

A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished."

Tetelestai- (Greek) paid in full- stamped taxes read tetelestai

With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.



Hebrews 4:3

And yet his works have been finished since the creation of the world.

Jesus' sacrifice on the cross accomplished everything necessary to reconcile sinful men to a Holy God.



7. Eternal commitment

Luke 23:46

Jesus called out with a loud voice, "father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.



John 2:23-24

Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name, but Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people.



John 10:28-29

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father hand.

