

Gospel of John
[The Resurrection (Part 1) (John 20:1-10)]

I. The Empty Tomb (vs. 1-10)

-v. 1: the first day of the week; Mary Magdalene (Luke 8:2)

-v. 2: Peter and John, the disciple whom Jesus loved (21:20, 24); resurrection doesn't occur to Mary

-vs. 3-7: no disorder or indication of struggle in the tomb; unlike Lazarus' resurrection (11:43, 44)

-v. 8: John saw and believed

-v. 9: resurrection a vital step in the development of the disciples' understanding (14:25, 26; 16:12-15);
What Scriptures (1 Cor. 15:3, 4)? Acts 13:33-35 (Ps. 2:7; 16:10; Is. 55:3); the whole teaching of the NT

-v. 10: Peter and John go away "to themselves" while Mary remains at the tomb

Practical Lessons

- 1) The empty tomb reminds us of the significance of the first day of the week in the NT.
- 2) The empty tomb reminds us of Jesus' power and glory as the Lord of life.
- 3) The empty tomb reminds us of the certainty and success His saving work.
- 4) The empty tomb reminds us of the coming day of judgment and the need for repentance.