

He's Alive !

Luke 24:1-12

Easter

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What if Jesus did not rise from the dead?

Resurrection Facts:

1. No one **expected** the resurrection (12:1).
 - a. Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea did not expect the resurrection.
 - b. The Women did not expect the resurrection.
 - c. The apostles and the others did not expect the resurrection.
 - d. Only the unbelievers took Jesus talk of resurrection seriously (Mt 27:62-65).
2. No one could **deny** the empty tomb (v.2-4)
 - a. The Stone was rolled back (v.2).
 - b. The tomb was empty (v.3).
 - c. Look at the evidence of the empty tomb:
 - i. The **Testimony** of the faithful women
 - ii. The **explanation** of the dazzling Angels (4b-7).
 - iii. The **investigation** of the leading Apostle (v.12).
 - iv. Even his killers said the tomb **was empty** (Mt 28:11-15).
3. No one believed **immediately** (v.9-11).
 - a. It wasn't that they could not believe; they **would not believe**.
 - b. You may not believe instantly, but you must **believe** (Jn 3:18)
4. Everyone **can believe** based on the evidence (v.6-7)
 - a. The tomb was empty.
 - b. God's plan is unstoppable (24:7; Lk 24:46)
 - c. Jesus' post resurrection appearances are irrefutable.

I have a recommendation for you; **run to** Jesus.