

*There's Plenty of Evidence  
...Will You Believe It?*

Matthew 27:62 – 28:15

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2. Even believers have hearts that are sometimes dulled to reality.
3. There is powerful evidence that Jesus rose from the dead.

## Miraculous events surrounding the resurrection ...

- A. An Earthquake (v. 2a)
- B. The Angel of the Lord (v. 2b)
- C. The Open Tomb (v. 2c)
- D. The Angel's Dazzling Appearance (v. 3)
- E. The Stunned Guards (v. 4)

## Post-resurrection appearances of our risen Lord Jesus on that first Sunday ...

- 1) To Mary Magdalene & the other women
- 2) To Peter
- 3) To the two on the road to Emmaus
- 4) To the ten in the upper room, Thomas being absent

Post-resurrection appearances of our risen Lord Jesus on the next Sunday (“after eight days”) ...

- 5) To the eleven in the upper room, Thomas being present this time

Post-resurrection appearances of our risen Lord Jesus over the course of the rest of the 40 days ...

- 6) To seven of the disciples by the Sea
- 7) To the eleven, on a mountain in Galilee
- 8) To a group of more than 500, all at once
- 9) To His half-brother, James, plus others
- 10) To His disciples on the Mount of Olives

Given the evidence that Jesus rose  
from the dead ...

Question #1 Will you believe it?

Question #2 Will you proclaim it?

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