

# John 20

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## **The Resurrection**

<sup>1</sup> The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.

<sup>2</sup> Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.

<sup>3</sup> Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.

<sup>4</sup> So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

<sup>5</sup> And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

<sup>6</sup> Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

<sup>7</sup> And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

<sup>8</sup> Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

<sup>9</sup> For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

<sup>10</sup> Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

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### **Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene**

**11** But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

**12** And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

**13** And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

**14** And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.

**15** Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

**16** Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

**17** Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

**18** Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

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### **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

**19** Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

**20** And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

**21** Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

**22** And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

**23** Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

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### **Jesus and Thomas**

**24** But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

**25** The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

**26** And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

**27** Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

**28** And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

**29** Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

**30** And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

**31** But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

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### Angel — ἄγγελος (Angelos)

Angel, messenger

The Greek **angelos** (ἄγγελος) means angel or messenger. Angels announced Christ's birth (Luke 2:9-14), ministered to Him (Matthew 4:11), and will accompany His return (Matthew 25:31).

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### Believe — πιστεύω (Pisteuo)

To believe, trust, have faith

The Greek **pisteuo** (πιστεύω) means to believe or trust—active reliance upon Christ. 'For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish' (John 3:16).

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### Faith — πίστις (Pistis)

Faith, belief, trust

The Greek **pistis** (πίστις) denotes faith, belief, or trust—confidence in God's character and promises. It's both intellectual assent and relational trust, central to justification (Romans 5:1).

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### God — Θεός (Theos)

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

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### Holy — ἅγιος (Hagios)

Holy, sacred, set apart

The Greek **hagios** (ἅγιος) denotes holiness—moral purity and separation unto God. Believers are called 'saints' (hagioi), those set apart for God through Christ's sanctifying work.

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### Lord — Κύριος (Kurios)

Lord, Master

The Greek **Kurios** (Κύριος) means 'lord' or 'master,' used both for human masters and divinely for God the Father and Jesus Christ. Its application to Jesus affirms His deity, as it translates YHWH in the Septuagint.

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### Sin — ἁμαρτία (Hamartia)

Sin, missing the mark

The Greek **hamartia** (ἁμαρτία) means sin—missing the target of God's perfection. 'All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God' (Romans 3:23), requiring Christ's atoning sacrifice.

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## CROSS REFERENCES

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**John 20:2** **Love:** John 13:23; 19:26; 21:7; 21:20. **References Lord:** John 20:13. **Parallel theme:** John 21:24

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**John 20:5** **Parallel theme:** John 19:40

**John 20:7** **Parallel theme:** John 11:44

**John 20:8** **Parallel theme:** John 20:4

**John 20:9** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 16:10; 22:15; Isaiah 25:8; Hosea 13:14; Luke 9:45; 24:26. **Resurrection:** Isaiah 26:19. **Word:** John 2:22; Matthew 22:29; 1 Corinthians 15:4

**John 20:11** **Parallel theme:** John 20:5

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