

Revealing Jesus—Part 3 October 10/11, 2015

John 20:1-8, 19-29

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) 20:5-6 John hesitated to enter the tomb, perhaps out of respect or fear. Peter had no inhibitions and rushed right in.
- 2) 20:6 The detail of the linen wrappings is not minor:
 - Grave robbers would not remove linens before stealing a body.
 - The presence of wrappings proves the story.
 - If the disciples had stolen the body, they would not have dishonored it by tearing off the clothes.
- 3) 20:6 With the spices in the folds of the clothes, it would have been nearly impossible to unwrap a corpse without destroying the wrappings.
- 4) 20:8 The majority of early believers in the New Testament era came to faith without ever having seen Jesus.
- 5) 20:19 Just as Jesus' body passed through the grave clothes, he passed through the walls and simply "materialized."
- 6) 20:25 Thomas demanded concrete evidence and developed his own measuring rod that included specific details of Jesus' death.
- 7) 20:27 Thomas needed evidence, and Jesus met him at the point of his need.
- 8) 20:27 Jesus did not rebuke Thomas for doubting. He rebuked him for his unbelief.
- 9) 20:27 Doubt is an intellectual issue. Unbelief is a moral issue.
- 10) 20:28 Thomas not only professed that Jesus had risen, but also that Jesus is the Lord God.
- 11) 20:28 There is no record that Thomas accepted Jesus' offer to touch the wounds.
- 12) 20:29 We are saved not by seeing, but by believing.

GREEK WORDS

Entylissō (en-too-lis'-so)—to twist; to entwine, wind up :- wrap in (together)
Apistos (ap'-is-tos)—(active) disbelieving, i.e. without faith :- that believeth not, faithless, infidel, unbeliever
Makarios (mak-ar'-ee-os)—[not simply 'happy'] – supremely fortunate, well off :- happy (× -ier)

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