

The Miracle & the Mission

Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20

The Empty Tomb (v. 1-8)

- On Sunday morning, some of Jesus' female disciples return to His tomb to finish preparing His body for burial
- An angel appears at the tomb
 - Causing an earthquake
 - Making the guards faint
 - Frightening the women
- The angel's message: Jesus is alive!
 - Just like He said
 - He will meet up with the rest of His disciples in Galilee

The Risen Lord (v. 9-10)

- While the women are returning to share the angel's message, the risen Jesus meets them
 - They fall at His feet & worship Him
- He tells them to gather the other disciples in Galilee

The Mission (v. 16-20)

- When the disciples had gathered in Galilee, Jesus appears to them
 - They all worship Him
 - Some are doubtful
- Jesus then tells His disciples their mission:
 - What: Make disciples
 - Others who will dedicate their lives to following Jesus as Lord & King
 - Who: "Of all nations"
 - Reaching people of every nationality & ethnicity with the good news of Jesus
 - How:
 - Baptism in the name of the Triune God
 - Teaching obedience to all Jesus commands
 - Through His ongoing presence via the Holy Spirit

So What?

- Do we know the resurrected Jesus? Have we put our faith in Him?
- Are we making Him known to the world?

Meditation Verse: *Matthew 28:18-20*