THE RESURRECTION - LUKE 24:1-12

Verse #1 - "First day of the week." (Sunday)
That's why we worship on Sunday. Every Sunday is a reminder of His glorious resurrection. They were there "very early in the morning." We need to arise

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We need to arise early and put God first in our lives.
(See: Psalms 63:1 - "...early will I seek Thee: my soul thirsts for Thee...")

Verse #2 - "And they found the stone rolled away..."
It's a good thing the stone WAS rolled away. How in the world could these women have rolled a huge, large, heavy stone away? God already foreknew.
NOTE: When obstacles are too heavy for us to bear, give it to the Lord in prayer. {Take your burdens to the Lord - song}
Psalms 55:22 - "Cast your burden upon the Lord, for He shall sustain you; He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved."
I Peter 5:7 - "Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."

Verse #3 - "And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus."
Jesus cannot hang around dead situations. (John 10:10 (b) - "...I have come that they might have life...")
(John 11:25 - "I am the resurrection, and the life...")

Verse #4 - "As they were perplexed...two men stood by them in shining garments."
We may not always understand the spirit world, but God does. His angels are ministering spirits. (Hebrews 1:14 - "Are they (angels) not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"
(See: Psalms 103:20)

Verse #5 - The angels said, "Why seek ye the living among the dead?"
When our
saved loved ones leave this world, remember they are not at the cemetery. They have already been promoted to heaven! : )
(II Cor. 5:8 - "absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.")

Verse #6 - "He is not here, but is RISEN: remember how He spake unto you..."
(Matt. 17:22 & 23 - "And they shall kill Him and the third day, He shall be raised again...")

Verse #7 - "...Son of man must be crucified, and the third day rise again."

NOTE: The angels seemed to be teaching/preaching to the women here, for a few seconds.
(Rev. 14:6 - "...having the everlasting gospel preached unto them that dwell on the earth..." (Speaking of ONE angel)

Angels are used today as God's messengers and helpers. We do not worship angels, but do respect them as God's servants.

Verse #8 - "And they remembered His words."

NOTE: We need to remember the word of God.
Psalms 119:11 - "Thy word have I hid in mine heart..."
(SEE: Psalms 119:97; 105; 130; 133; 162)
(SEE: Joshua 1:7-9)

Verse #9 - "And returned ... and TOLD ALL...."
Shouldn't we do the same?
(Mark 16:15 - "...God ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."
(John 4:28 - 30 - Woman at the well story)
Verse #10 - Description of the women who first witnessed the empty tomb experience.
(Matt. 28:1 / Mark 16:1 / John 20:1)

Verse #11 - "And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not."

NOTE: Aren't people like that today? Maybe some unbelievers, but it should not be the so called "followers" of Jesus!

(Hebrews 11:6 - "But without faith it is impossible to please Him...")
(Romans 14:23(b) - "...for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.")
(SEE: Heb. 3:12 / Heb. 3:19)

Verse #12 - "Then AROSE Peter, and RAN ... STOOPING ... BEHOLD ... DEPARTED: WONDERING ..."

Notice the action words?

(SEE: James 2: 14; 17; 20; 24; 26)
(James 3:20(b) - "...faith without works is dead.")

NOTE: It's easy to believe when you visually can see it, or use your other senses. Real faith believes without always having the senses.

(II Cor. 5:7 - "For we walk by faith, not by sight.")
(Hebrews 11:1 - "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.")

(John 20:29(b) - "...blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.") Jesus said these words to doubting Thomas.

(John 20:27(b) - "...be not faithless, but believing.")

CLOSING REMARKS: MAY WE GROW OUR FAITH MORE AND MORE BY READING,
BELIEVING, AND PUTTING INTO ACTION GOD’S WORD.

ROMANS 10:17 - “SO THEN FAITH COMETH BY HEARING AND HEARING BY THE WORD OF GOD.”

HAPPY EASTER !!! JESUS IS RISEN !!! BELIEVE IT !!! LIVE LIKE IT !!

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