

EASTER (and possible the week after) SERMON (4/9 & 16/23)

Text: JOHN 20: 1-18.

Accent Verse #9 – “For as yet they knew not the scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.”

Scriptures foretold about His death and/or resurrection.

See: Matt. 17:22 & 23 / Matt. 26:31 & 32 / Luke 9:22

Verse #11 – “Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping...”

(II Cor. 1:3 & 4 / Matt. 5:4 / I Thess. 4:13-18 / Job 5:11)

Verse #15 – “She supposing Him to be the gardener...”

QUESTION? - - - How many people have “supposed” Jesus to be someone He was not? Jesus truly IS the Son of the living God, the Savior of the world.

Verse #17 – “Touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father...”

Read the paper on John 20:17

NOTE: Eph. 4:8-10 / Psalm 68:18 / Luke 16:19-31, especially verse #26 (which kills the theory of purgatory) Luke 16:19 begins the story of the rich man & Lazarus.

It is assumed that Hades (or Sheol, same place) had *two* compartments. 1) For the *righteous* 2) For the *unrighteous*

The “Bosom of Abraham” mentioned in verse #23 refers to the place of comfort in the Biblical “Sheol” (or Hades in the Greek Septuagint). This is where the *righteous* dead abided *prior* to Jesus’ resurrection. (Read the paper on Hades, etc.)

HOW MANY PEOPLE DID JESUS APPEAR TO *AFTER HIS RESURRECTION*?

- 1) Mary Magdalene (Mark 16:9)**
- 2) Other Women (Matt. 28:9)**
- 3) Disciples On The Road To Emmaus (Luke 24:13-32)**
- 4) His Disciples (Luke 24:36)**
- 5) Up To 500 People (I Corinthians 15:3-8)**
- 6) The Disciples *Again* (John 21:1-17) (Verse #14 tells us this was the 3rd time Jesus appeared, after His resurrection, to His disciples).**

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