



THE WORD *Alive*

The Preaching Ministry of
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JUST AS HE SAID MARK 15:37-16:8

³⁷ "And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed His last. ³⁸ And the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who was standing right in front of Him, saw the way He breathed His last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!" ⁴⁰ And there were also some women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the Less and Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹ And when He was in Galilee, they used to follow Him and minister to Him; and there were many other women who had come up with Him to Jerusalem. ⁴² And when evening had already come, because it was the preparation day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, ⁴³ Joseph of Arimathea came, a prominent member of the Council, who himself was waiting for the kingdom of God; and he gathered up courage and went in before Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴ And Pilate wondered if He was dead by this time, and summoning the centurion, he questioned him as to whether He was already dead. ⁴⁵ And ascertaining this from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶ And Joseph bought a linen cloth, took Him down, wrapped Him in the linen cloth, and laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷ And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses were looking on to see where He was laid. Mark 16:1 And when the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. ³ And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed. ⁶ And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him. ⁷ "But go, tell His disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, **just as He said** to you.'" ⁸ And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had gripped them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

JESUS AROSE FROM THE DEAD

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A Roman Centurion would have seen many men die, and would be careful to judge correctly whether or not someone is dead to protect his men and himself. By bringing in the centurion, Pilate assures there is no question Jesus is dead.

6 "And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here;"

The Angel of God affirms that Jesus was really dead (crucified) but now is no longer lying where Joseph put Him – He is risen!

THAT AUTHENTICATED ALL HE SAID

⁷ "just as He said to you."

Because Jesus predicted His death and resurrection at least three times to all the disciples and referenced it numerous other times, when He actually arose, it authenticated all he had said and verified that He may be trusted to keep His promises.

Mark 13:31 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away."

Matthew 28:18 "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me".

Mark 9:23 "Everything is possible for him who believes."

Matthew 6:31 "So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'" ³⁴ "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow..."

Luke 5:20 "...Friend, your sins are forgiven."

John 14:2-3 ² "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. ³ "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also."

Mark 13:26 "And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory".

CONCLUSION

The One who rose from the dead is the sovereign Lord of the universe to whom all power and authority has been given. He is the one who intimately loves and knows you and the very number of hairs on your head, has promised to supply your needs, to watch over you all the days of your life, to never leave you nor forsake you and to return to take you to Himself in a place called Heaven for eternity. This is possible only because He is risen!

Praise God!

Jesus, who was truly dead, arose from the grave and is coming again...*just as He said*.
Are you ready?