



*First Baptist Church of Cypress*  
**The Resurrection of Christ**

**Mark 16:1-13**

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Good morning church! Turn in your Bibles to the last chapter of the Gospel of Mark. As a teenager at church camp, I was able to learn how to defend our faith giving reliable evidence of the Bible being true along with Jesus' death burial and resurrection. Paul offers proof of those who have seen Christ rose in 1 Corinthians 15:3-8. Christ died for our sins. He was buried and then rose on the third day. Both of these things were according to the Scriptures meaning, the Old Testaments. In verses 5-8, Paul also gives a list of people Jesus appeared such as: Peter; then the 12th; then more than 500 at the same time; then James; then the Apostles; and finally Paul. We know that nearly 300 prophecies in the Old Testament were about the Messiah; Jesus fulfilled them all.

**Mark 16:1-13**

“When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. **2** And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. **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 back—it was very large. **5** And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. **6** And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. **7** But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” **8** And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

[Some of the earliest manuscripts do not include 16:9–20.]

**9** [Now when he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. **10** She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. **11** But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. **12** After these things he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. **13** And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them.

1. The VISIT displayed affection FOR Jesus but not belief IN Jesus. (v 1-3)

2. The ACCOUNT leaves no doubt Jesus of NAZARETH had been in the TOMB. (v 4-6)

“And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it”.

**Matthew 28:2**

3. He has RISEN... He has Risen INDEED! (v 6)

4. The WOMEN became the first WITNESSES. (v 7-8)

5. Jesus Christ APPEARED to MANY Witnesses. (v 9-13)

[ ... Some of the earliest manuscripts do not include verses 9-20 ... ]

“Scholars differ whether these verses were originally part of this Gospel. Some important early Greek manuscripts lack these verses, other manuscripts have verses 9-20 as a longer ending, and still others have a shorter ending.”

**The Reformation Study Bible by R.C. Sproul**

“The external evidence strongly suggests these verses were not originally part of Mark's gospel. While the majority of Gr. Manuscripts contain these verses, the earliest and most reliable do not. The fourth-century church fathers Eusebius and Jerome noted that almost all Gr. Manuscripts available to them lacked verses 9-20. The internal evidence from this passage also weighs heavily against Mark's authorship as the transition between verses 8 and 9 are abrupt and awkward.”

**MacArthur Study Bible New King James Version by John MacArthur**

“ ... No section for verses 9-20 ... ”

**The NIV Application Commentary by David E. Garland**

*Startling Implications of Jesus' Resurrection ...*

A. He is Lord over life and DEATH.

“No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.” **John 10:18**

B. He is Lord over sin and SATAN.

*“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” **1 Corinthians 15:55-57***

C. He is Lord over YOU and me.

*“because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.” **Romans 10:9-10***

Many try to disprove the resurrection, claiming Jesus wasn't dead, or that the disciples stole the body or some other made up junk. When you know the facts surrounding the crucifixion and resurrection, you can come to no other conclusion but that Jesus was dead, and He did rise from the grave. Believe in the resurrection of Christ. Surrender to the Lordship of Christ.