

**Vs. 1-3:**

- An earthquake occurs when an angel descends from heaven, rolls back the stone and sits on top. The guards tremble and become like dead men.

**Vs. 4**

- I think Mary sees the empty tomb and leaves on her own before seeing the angels.
- She'll tell the disciples that they took the body somewhere and don't know where they laid Him.

**Vs. 5-8**

- Two angels are present.
- "Why do you seek the living among the dead?"
- They invite them to check it out. Everything has happened according to plan, just as He said it would.
- The world attempts to explain away the empty tomb. The attempts are poor. For Christians the empty tomb is significant.
- We cannot stress enough the importance of the empty tomb. There have been many religions and false leaders, but only our faith has an empty tomb.

**Mary returned to John & Peter. All the women reported what they saw. Peter, John and Mary return to the tomb. Read John 20:11ff**

**Vs. 9-11**

- Jesus meant something to Mary. He cast out 7 demons. It's beautiful to think that out of all the followers Jesus could have appeared to first, it was Mary. A nobody to the world, but loved by Jesus.
- Jesus ended up appearing to the other women, but the apostles didn't believe.

**Read Luke 24:13-35**

**Vs. 12-13**

- We need to keep in mind people like this - who are looking to find Jesus. Their hearts will burn with the truth.
- Everything written in Scripture was leading up to this point. This point in time would forever change the world.

**Vs. 14**

- Jesus appeared to the 10 and then the 11 eight days later when Thomas was present.
- "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

**Jesus ends up appearing to more than 500 people before He finally ascended back into heaven.**

**Vs. 15-20**

- We should be about spreading the word. Why would we not want to?
  - What's the point of studying the life of Christ if we haven't learned this principle: "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45
- We should see the beauty that God brings into our lives, but remember: it's not about us. It's about Him. It's about HIS goodness to mankind.
- Finally, we should be about serving Him. Titus 2:11-14. It's about worshipping and exalting God. It's about being the people He would have us to be.