



## The Empty Tomb

On the third day after Jesus died, Mary Magdalen and some women went to Jesus' tomb very early in the morning. The women had a job to do—they were going to anoint the body of Jesus.

But when they arrived at the tomb, the big stone blocking the entrance had been rolled away! "Who could have moved the stone?", the women asked one another.

When the women peeked inside the tomb, they saw that it was dark and cold. And then they realized something else—Jesus' body was missing! The tomb was empty!

Suddenly, an angel appeared in sparkling white clothes. The women shielded their eyes from the brightness, but the angel said, "Do not be afraid. I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has been raised just as He said would happen."

The angel told the women to go and tell all Jesus' disciples that He had been raised from the dead and that Jesus would meet them in Galilee.

The women hurried away to spread the news that Jesus is risen from the dead. Suddenly, on the road in front of them there was a man. "Greetings!", He said. The women were amazed—the man was Jesus and He truly had been raised from the dead!