“Alone in the Garden... With Him!”

John 20:11-18
Biblical “Intimate Encounters”
In Garden Settings!

Genesis 3:8-24 – revelation of “hidden sin”!

John 17:1-26 – Jesus prays to His Father

John 20:11-18 – Mary’s encounter Jesus

Revelation 21-22 – “eternal garden with Him!”
What To Expect In Your “Garden” Encounter

1. A **personal** encounter: “Mary!” vs. 16

2. In **Your** Garden encounter, an “appointed” meeting takes place – Ephesians 1:3-4

3. **Intimate** conversation:
   He knows ALL about us! Psalm 139:1-5
NOTE: There Was **Grief** In This Garden!

“Mary was standing outside the tomb, weeping” (John 20:11).

Grief does not mean He has abandoned you. He was right there with Mary – but she did not recognize Him.

“The sting of death is sin...” (1 Cor. 15:56).
Mary’s encounter was supernatural.

Angels were present to announce:
Matt. 28:6 – “He is not here; for He has risen.”

What do you believe about the resurrection? Fable? Fact?

Have you encountered the living Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, King of Kings, Lord of Lords?
An Encounter With The Good News!

God loves us! Lamentations 3:22
“His steadfast love never ceases...”

“For Christ died for sins, once for all...in order that He might bring us to God”
(1 Peter 3:18).

“He made Him who knew no sin to BE sin...”
(2 Corinthians 5:21)
The Critical Importance of The Resurrection

“He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man who He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead…” (Acts 17:31).

Had He only died, but stayed in the tomb, we would have no hope! Resurrection = KEY!
A Garden Encounter That **Motivates**!

“Go and tell His disciples…” (Matt. 28:7).

“And they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy and ran to report it to the disciples” (Matthew 28:8).

Do **others** know you have been alone in the Garden with Him?