THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

Matthew 27:57-28:20 Key Verse: 28:6

"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."

STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1. Read verses 57-66. Who was Joseph? (57; Lk 23:50,51) How did he prove himself to be a disciple? What did he risk? Why is Jesus' burial important? Why and how did the religious leaders secure the tomb?
- 2. Read 28:1. Who was Mary Magdalene? (Mk 16:9; Lk 8:2; Mt 27:56; Mk 15:40) Why did she go to look at the tomb? Think about how she felt.
- 3. Read 28:2-7. What happened as the two women arrived? Describe the angel. What happened to the guards? Why? See Acts 2:23,24. What does this event reveal about the Creator God? What was the angel's message of good news?
- 4. What mission did the angel (7), and later, Jesus (10) give the woman? Why must the resurrection message be shared? Read 28:8-10. When the woman ran to obey what happened? Why is it important to meet Jesus? How can we?
- 5. Read verses 11-15. How and why did the religious leaders try to suppress the news of Jesus' resurrection? What does this prove?
- 6. Read verses 16-20. Where did the disciples meet Jesus? What mission did Jesus give his doubtful, fearful disciples? By what authority? (Php 2:8-11) What does it mean to make disciples? What promise did he give them?