



HE IS RISEN!



Matthew 27:27–28:10; Mark 15:16–16:8; Luke 23:26–24:12; John 19:16–20:18

After Jesus' triumphal entry in Jerusalem, He was later arrested and put on trial. The governor, Pilate, handed Jesus over to be crucified. Pilate had a sign made that said, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews," and had it placed on the cross.

The soldiers dressed Jesus in a scarlet robe. They made a crown of thorns and placed it on His head, spit on Him, hit Him, and made fun of Him, saying "Hail, King of the Jews!" Then they led Him away to crucify Him.

Two criminals were crucified along with Him, one on His right and one on His left. Those who passed by shook their heads, saying "If you really are the Son of God, come down from the cross!"

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, because they do not know what they are doing."

One of the criminals joined those making fun of Jesus. But the other criminal said, "We are getting what we deserve, but this man has done nothing wrong!" Then he said to Jesus, "Please remember me when You come into Your kingdom." Jesus replied to him, "Truly I tell you, today You will be with Me in paradise."

Darkness covered the whole land for three hours. Jesus cried out, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have You abandoned me?" Then He cried out again with a loud voice, saying, "Father, into Your hands I entrust My spirit. It is finished." The curtain of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom.

A man named Joseph came and asked for Jesus' body. He took it, wrapped it in clean linen, and placed it in his own tomb. A great stone was rolled against the entrance. Pilate told the Pharisees to make the tomb as secure as they could. They placed a seal on the stone and placed a guard there to make sure no one came to take His body.

After the Sabbath day, Mary Magdalene and another Mary came to the tomb. They found an angel of the Lord had rolled back the stone and was sitting on it. He told the women, "Do not be afraid! Jesus, who was crucified, is not here. He has risen, just as He said!" They ran to tell the disciples the good news!



Big Picture Question:

What is repentance? Repentance is turning away from sin and turning to Jesus.



Christ Connection:

God's plan was always to send Jesus to die for the sins of the world. Jesus died on the cross, was buried, and rose on the third day. All who place their faith in Him will receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life.