

March 27, 2016 (Resurrection Sunday!)

Scripture: John 20:1-18

“Who Do You See?!?”

“Christ Is Risen!—He Is Risen Indeed!”

The Luckiest Person In The World...?

- The embarrassing detail?

1. The Stone Was Removed

“Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb **and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance**” (verse 1)

- Something has happened!
- Why is the stone rolled away?

2. The Strips Of Linen

“Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. **He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head.** The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen” (verses 6-7).

OR: “...not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself” (ESV)

- Would “body snatchers” leave the linen clothes behind?

3. A New Mercy Seat

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb **and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot (verse 11-12)**

- Where else in the Bible do we see two angels, one at the head and one at the foot? (Exodus 25:17-19)

4. Seeing But Not Seeing

“She turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus” (verse 14).

- The idea of resurrection was not part of Mary’s paradigm / worldview.

5. Go And Tell

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: **“I have seen the Lord!”** And she told them that he had said these things to her (verse 18).

- Have you seen the Lord?: Go and tell!