

# JOHN

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## ***THE EMPTY TOMB***



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AFTER HANGING IN AGONY ON THE CROSS FOR HOURS...

...JESUS CRIED OUT...

IT IS FINISHED!

...AND HE SURRENDERED HIS SPIRIT TO GOD.

DESPITE HIS SADNESS...

...JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA...

...A MAN WHO WAS SECRETLY A DISCIPLE OF JESUS...

...KNEW THAT TO ENSURE JESUS HAD A PROPER BURIAL...

...HE HAD TO DO IT BEFORE THE QUICKLY APPROACHING SABBATH.

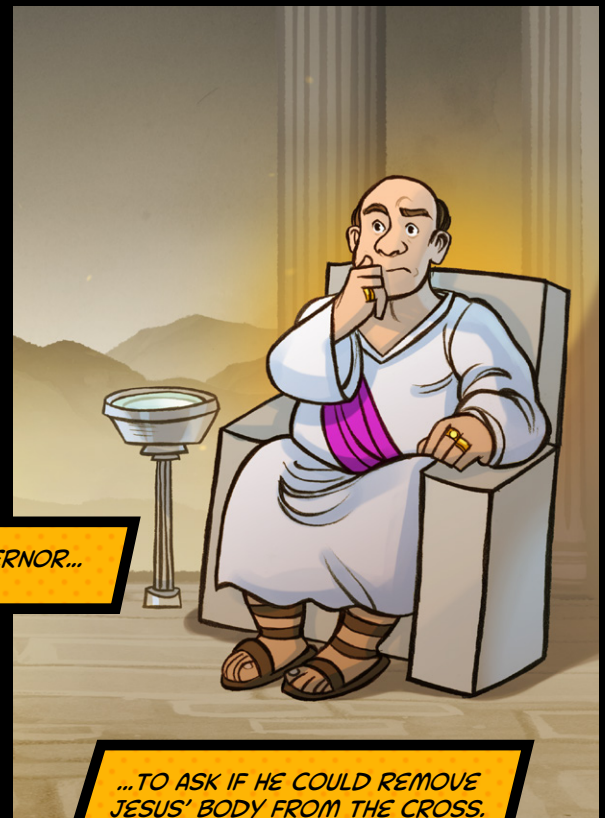




GRIEF STRICKEN...

JOSEPH WENT BEFORE  
PONTIUS PILATE...

...THE ROMAN GOVERNOR...



...TO ASK IF HE COULD REMOVE  
JESUS' BODY FROM THE CROSS.



AFTER PILATE GAVE HIM PERMISSION...

...HE AND NICODEMUS WENT TO THE  
CROSS WITH A LARGE AMOUNT OF  
MYRRH AND ALOES TO ANOINT JESUS'  
BODY FOR BURIAL.



TOGETHER...

...JOSEPH AND NICODEMUS CAREFULLY WRAPPED JESUS' BODY IN STRIPS OF LINEN WITH BURIAL SPICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH JEWISH TRADITION.

NEAR THE PLACE WHERE JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED...

...THERE WAS A GARDEN WHERE A TOMB HAD BEEN CUT OUT OF THE ROCK...

...SOMETHING ONLY WEALTHY PEOPLE COULD AFFORD.



THIS TOMB BELONGED TO JOSEPH, AND NO ONE HAD YET BEEN LAID TO REST THERE.

IT WAS IN THIS TOMB THAT JOSEPH AND NICODEMUS LAID THE BODY OF JESUS.

BEFORE THEY LEFT...

...THEY ROLLED AN ENORMOUS STONE IN FRONT OF THE TOMB'S ENTRANCE...

...SEALING IT SHUT.



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BEFORE THE SUN HAD RISEN ON SUNDAY MORNING...

...MARY MAGDALENE GATHERED THE SPICES  
AND PERFUMES SHE HAD PREPARED TO  
COMPLETE THE BURIAL CUSTOMS FOR JESUS...

...AND MADE HER WAY TO THE TOMB.



WHEN SHE ARRIVED...

...SHE DISCOVERED THE GIANT  
STONE HAD BEEN ROLLED AWAY...



...AND THE TOMB WAS EMPTY!



DEEPLY DISTRESSED BY WHAT SHE HAD SEEN...

...SHE RAN AS FAST AS SHE COULD TO TELL THE DISCIPLES PETER AND JOHN WHAT HAD HAPPENED.

THEY'VE  
TAKEN OUR  
LORD'S  
BODY...

...AND WE  
DON'T KNOW  
WHERE!



## THE EMPTY TOMB

AFTER HEARING MARY'S ACCOUNT...

...PETER AND JOHN SPURTED TO THE TOMB.



JOHN ARRIVED FIRST...



...BUT HE DID NOT ENTER THE TOMB.



## THE EMPTY TOMB

WITHOUT HESITATION...

...PETER WALKED INTO THE TOMB AND NOTICED THAT THE STRIPS OF LINEN THAT JESUS HAD BEEN WRAPPED UP IN WERE LAYING EMPTY IN A PILE...

...AND THE BURIAL CLOTH THAT WAS PLACED OVER HIS HEAD AND FACE WAS NEATLY FOLDED NEXT TO THEM.

AS JOHN ENTERED THE EMPTY TOMB...

...HE DIDN'T FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT HAD HAPPENED...

...BUT HE BELIEVED THAT JESUS HAD RISEN FROM THE DEAD.

PUZZLED BY WHAT THEY HAD SEEN...

...PETER AND JOHN RETURNED TO THEIR HOMES.



TOO UPSET TO RETURN HOME  
WITH PETER AND JOHN...

...MARY MAGDALENE REMAINED  
AT THE EMPTY TOMB.

AS SHE WEPT...

...SHE LOOKED UP THROUGH  
HER TEARS INTO THE TOMB...

...AND SHE SAW TWO ANGELS  
IN DAZZLING WHITE ROBES!

THEY WERE SITTING WHERE  
JESUS' BODY HAD BEEN...

...ONE AT THE HEAD AND  
ONE AT THE FOOT.



SEEING MARY'S TEARS...

...THE ANGELS ASKED...

WOMAN...

...WHY  
ARE YOU  
CRYING?

THEY HAVE TAKEN MY  
LORD AWAY, AND I  
DON'T KNOW WHERE  
THEY HAVE PUT HIM.





AS MARY TURNED AWAY  
FROM THE ANGELS TO  
MAKE HER WAY HOME...

...SHE SAW A MAN HAD BEEN  
STANDING BEHIND HER...

...BUT THIS WAS NO  
ORDINARY MAN...



IT WAS JESUS!



SOMEHOW...

...MARY DID NOT RECOGNIZE JESUS;  
SHE THOUGHT HE WAS THE GARDENER!

...SHE THOUGHT HE  
WAS THE GARDENER!



JESUS ASKED MARY...

MARY, STILL THINKING HE WAS THE GARDENER, BEGGED HIM...

WHY ARE YOU CRYING?

WHO ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

IF YOU HAVE TAKEN HIM AWAY, PLEASE TELL ME WHERE SO I CAN GET HIM.

THEN JESUS CALLED MARY'S NAME...

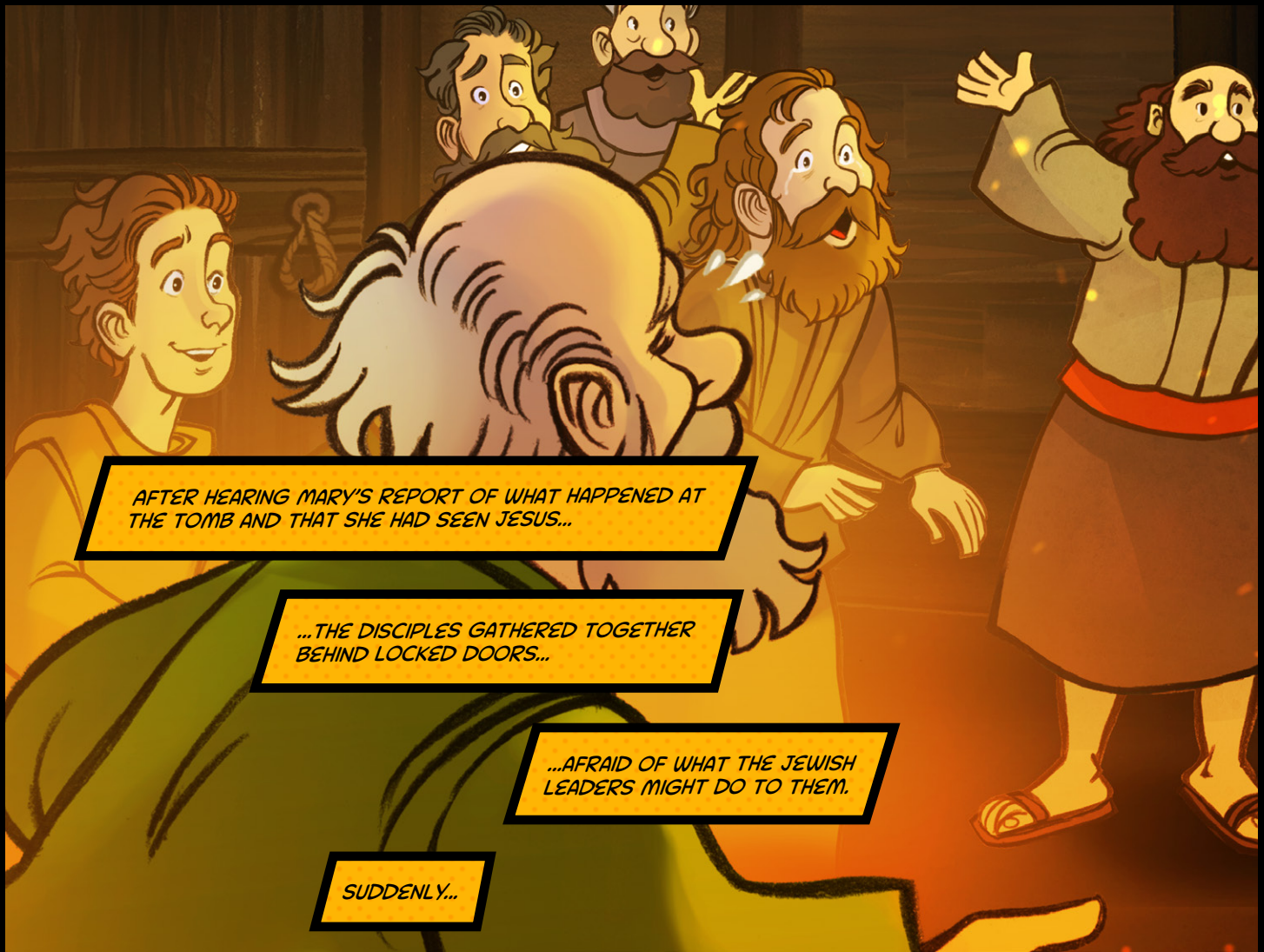
...AND SUDDENLY SHE RECOGNIZED THAT THE MAN WAS JESUS.

TEACHER!

GO AND TELL THE DISCIPLES.

MARY FELL TO HER KNEES TO WORSHIP AT HIS FEET.





AFTER HEARING MARY'S REPORT OF WHAT HAPPENED AT THE TOMB AND THAT SHE HAD SEEN JESUS...

...THE DISCIPLES GATHERED TOGETHER BEHIND LOCKED DOORS...

...AFRAID OF WHAT THE JEWISH LEADERS MIGHT DO TO THEM.

SUDDENLY...



...JESUS APPEARED AMONG THEM IN THE LOCKED HOUSE.

PEACE TO YOU!

THE DISCIPLES WERE OVERJOYED TO SEE JESUS WITH THEIR OWN EYES!



AFTER JESUS HAD SHOWN THEM  
THE WOUNDS IN HIS HANDS AND  
HIS SIDE...

...HE TOLD THE DISCIPLES:

CONTINUE MY  
MISSION AND GO  
THROUGHOUT THE  
WORLD AND PREACH  
GOD'S LOVE.

THE END