

Resurrection Day: God Gives Us the Victory

Matthew 28.1-15; Mark 16.1-11; Luke 24.1-49; John 20.1-23

If Friday was God's 'D-Day' in the war against sin, Sunday was His 'V-Day' – victory over sin and death. 'Resurrection Day' was a day like no other before or since, and no one who knows the joy of what it achieved ever tires of hearing about it. Let's revisit it today.

What Happened on Saturday

Where was Jesus between His death and resurrection?

What did the Jewish leaders do on this day?

What did Jesus' disciples and followers do on this day?

What Happened on Sunday

- *At sunrise:* Earthquake, angels, women, and a 'gardener'
- *In the day:* Soldiers and priests; the road to Emmaus
- *At night:* Jesus with disciples, "Peace be with you"



Finding New Life

Your real, new self (which is Christ's and also yours, and yours just because it is His) will not come as long as you are looking for it. It will come when you are looking for Him. Does that sound strange? The same principle holds, you know, for more everyday matters. Even in social life, you will never make a good impression on other people until you stop thinking about what sort of impression you are making. Even in literature and art, no man who bothers about originality will ever be original, whereas if you simply try to tell the truth (without caring two-pence how often it has been told before) you will, nine times out of ten, become original without ever having noticed it. The principle runs through all life from top to bottom: Give up yourself, and you will find your real self. Lose your life and you will save it. . .

Look for yourself, and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin, and decay. But look for Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else thrown in.

— C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

*Believe in the Lord Jesus,
and you will be saved.*

Acts 16.31