



# MATTHEW

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*The Prophecy Fulfilled*

# Sunday is Coming!!!



- After the Sabbath...
  - For 3 days the Apostles have been in hiding
  - What conversations did they have?
- The women bought spices after Sabbath sundown
  - “as it began” ~ approaching the full dawn
  - Women come to the grave...
  - Mary Magdalene, Mary mother of James/Joses, Salome (Mk 16:1), others....

# The Tomb



- They were concerned about who would move the stone and allow them access... Mk 16:3,4
- Severe earthquake ~ at His rising!
  - Angel sitting on the door stone
  - Bright white appearance
  - An aside ~ Romans “fell like dead men”...
  - How much time passes here???

# Some Thoughts



- Timing is hard, due to the only eye witnesses...
  - Roman guard is in serious trouble
  - Vs 11-15 talk about this issue, fact: they are killed!
- Each account is telling the important fact!
  - JESUS is alive!
  - Chronology is not always foremost...
  - Different hearers, different focus... see handout

# Angelic message:



- “Stop being afraid!”
- You are looking for Jesus who has been crucified
- He is not here
- He is Risen
- Just as He said
- Come see the place
- Go quickly and tell - HE IS RISEN!!!

# Different ways



- The leave the tomb: fear and great joy! (8)
  - Report to disciples... other meetings happen
  - Jesus meets them – they worship Him (9)
- Jesus \*said:
  - Stop being afraid
  - Go and take my word to My brethren Galilee
  - There they shall see Me



# Guards plot



- Some of the guard... others fled
  - Report to chief priests? Why? Miracles?
  - The disciples stole Him...asleep???
  - Governor's ears? They had to deal with the commander!
  - False message was still around...
  - And still is!

# 40 Days in Galilee



- Safe for the disciples to move about
  - This was their hometown, Judas is dead...
  - Vs. 17 ~ worship and “hesitation”
  - John 20,21 restoration of Thomas and Peter
  - Jesus spends time focusing and preparing
  - He resurrection changes them...
  - **BUT**, then still need the Holy Spirit to...



# Great commission...



- Is this a command we take seriously?
- All Authority
  - Given to Him, not taken!
  - In heaven and on earth
- Go, make disciples
  - Not converts...
  - All nations - baptizing

# Great commission...



- Teach them to observe (guard, care for)
  - All that I commanded you to do!
  - This is more than a “sinners prayer”
  - It involves life changes and cross bearing
- I am with you always...
  - End of the age..