## **Jesus**

- Arrested by Jewish leadership; tried and convicted of blasphemy
- Transferred to Pilate and convicted of treason
- Handed over to execution squad
- Mocked as King of the Jews and as Son of God
- Crucified
- Died after 6hrs on cross (9am-3pm)

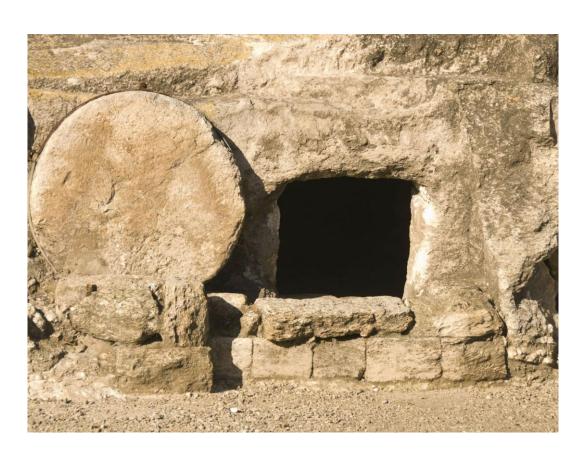


## **Jesus**

- Several unusual occurrences around
  His death that indicate its significance:
  - Darkness from 12-3pm God's judgment on what is happening
  - Curtain of temple torn in two from top to bottom – God opening the way for people to approach Him
  - Earthquake and tombs are opened (on Fri) and some of the dead are raised to life (on Sun) – Death has been defeated



- Body laid on slab in tomb and covered with spices
- Tomb sealed with stone to protect against scavengers and grave robbers
- Tomb opened after one year, bones placed in box and relocated in tomb





# Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph are eyewitnesses to -

- Jesus' death on the cross 27.56 (contra swoon theory)
- Which tomb He was buried in 27.61
- That the tomb was empty on Sun am –
  28.6 (contra wrong tomb theory)
- That Jesus was bodily resurrected (grasped His feet) – 28.9 (contra spiritual resurrection/hallucination theory)



- **1Pet 1.3** we have been given a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus from the dead
- Hope confident expectation of a better future
- Resurrection of Jesus confirms:
  - Enemies of our better future Sin,
    Satan, Death have been defeated
  - Our better future is already being formed; God is making all things new



When hope is shaken we move to:

- Despair profound sense of hopelessness; give up on a better future
- Fear often expressed as anger/outrage; we work to secure a better future on our own



Suffering (tribulation, squeezing) produces:

 Perseverance – capacity to bear up well under difficult circumstances

#### Perseverance produces:

Character – that which is approved through testing

### Character produces:

 Hope – confident expectation of a better future

Hope does not disappoint (put us to shame) because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit



Remember – recall the past with a conviction to allow the past to inform our present

- The Cross demonstrates God's love for us; we have hope (are confident of a better future) because we are convinced that God loves us
- The Resurrection confirms the work of the Cross was effective; we have hope (are confident of a better future) because we know our primary enemies have been defeated and God is making all things new

