

The Empty Tomb



“The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”

Matthew 28:5-7

Three days later, some of Jesus’ friends went to visit the tomb and found that it was empty. They were surprised and confused, but an angel appeared to them and told them that Jesus had risen from the dead. The angel said, “Do not be afraid. Jesus is alive!” Jesus had overcome death and sin!

Why is it important to know that Jesus rose from the dead?

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is central to the Christian faith because it confirms Jesus's identity as the Son of God and validates His teachings, miracles and promise of eternal life. His resurrection provides hope for believers by demonstrating God's power over death and assuring forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God. Knowing that Jesus rose from the dead gives purpose and meaning to our lives, moving us to live in a way that honours him and to share the Good News of His resurrection with others, ultimately offering assurance, hope and purpose to those who believe in Him.

Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for the miracle of Jesus's resurrection. It fills us with wonder and hope, knowing that Jesus is alive and His love is with us always. We ask you to always remind us of Your unfailing love and the promise of eternal life through Jesus. Guide us to share this hope with others, so they may also know the joy of Jesus's resurrection.

In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.