

STUDY GUIDE **John 20:1-18**

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1. Who was the first to come to the tomb after the Sabbath had ended? V. 1

 a. what did she see when she got there? _____
2. Who did she go to with the news v. 2 _____ and _____
3. Which disciple got to the tomb first? V. 5 _____
 a. what did he do? v. 5 _____
 b. what did he observe? _____
4. What did Peter do when he arrived? V. 6 _____
 a. what did he observe? V. 6-7 the _____ lying there and the _____ which had covered Jesus' _____ was _____ together and placed by _____
 b. what does this fact strongly indicate? _____

5. John eventually went into the tomb and _____ (v. 8) but still did not fully _____ the Scriptures about Jesus' resurrection, v. 9.
6. Mary stayed at the tomb _____ (v. 11). She was distraught because she thought that some had _____ Jesus's body (v. 1, 13b)
 a. and what did she see? V. 12-13 Two _____ dressed in _____ sitting one at the _____ and the other at the _____ of where the body had been.
7. _____ then appeared to her, but she did _____ Him.
 v. 14-17
 a. why wouldn't she recognize Him? _____

 b. When did she recognize Him? V. 16 _____
8. Why did Jesus tell her not to hold on to embracing Him? V. 17 for I have not yet _____ to My _____.
 a. Likely, Jesus is telling her, " I am _____ but I am not _____ to _____ (see John 16:5-7)

9. In spite of the _____ for the resurrection of Christ, many are like the Jewish leaders and remain in _____. They had advocated various theories in their attempt to deny the resurrection.

a. the _____ theory argues for what? _____

This lacks credibility because:

(1) The _____ were _____ executioners who knew when a person was _____

(2) The _____ thrust into Jesus' _____ showed He was dead.

(3) What Jesus would have had to do to escape the tomb in such a _____, including removing the _____; rolling away the _____; and _____ the Roman soldiers.

b. the _____ theory argues what? _____

This lacks credibility because:

(1) Various _____ and _____ would have had to have the same one on ten different occasions including _____ people at once (1 Corinthians 15:6)

(2) How could an hallucination _____ (Luke 24:42-43) or _____ (John 21:9-13)

c. The _____ theory argues what? _____

This lack credibility because:

(1) _____ knew which tomb was his and the Jewish leaders knew because they had it _____ and _____. If the women and the disciples went to the wrong one, surely the Jewish leaders would have just _____

d. Perhaps the oldest is the _____ theory (Matthew 28:11-15), which says what? _____

But if they say this is true, they are acknowledging what? _____
