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SUBJECT

SATURDAY, SUNDAY: THOSE EVENTS PRECEDING JESUS' RESURRECTION

SPECIFICS

SATURDAY	<p>⁶²On the next day, which followed the Day of Preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered together to Pilate, ⁶³saying, "Sir, we remember, while He was still alive, how that deceiver said, 'After three days I will rise.' ⁶⁴"Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night and steal Him <i>away</i>, and say to the people, 'He has risen from the dead.' So the last deception will be worse than the first." ⁶⁵Pilate said to them, "You have a guard; go your way, make <i>it</i> as secure as you know how." ⁶⁶So they went and made the tomb secure, sealing the stone and setting the guard. (Matthew 27:62-66)</p>			
THE FIRST EASTER SUNDAY	1	THE PREPARATION	2	THE MANIFESTATION
	<p>¹Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary <i>the mother</i> of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. (Mark 16:1)</p>		<p>²And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. ³His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. ⁴And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead <i>men</i> (Matthew 28:2-4)</p>	
	3	THE VISITATION	4	THE PROCLAMATION
	<p>²Very early in the morning, on the first <i>day</i> of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. ³And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" ⁴But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. (Mark 16:2-4)</p>		<p>⁴And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. ⁵Then, as they were afraid and bowed <i>their</i> faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" ⁶"He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee, ⁷"saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.' " (Luke 24:4-7) ⁷"But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." ⁸So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. (Mark 16:7-8)</p>	
	5	THE SPECULATION	6	THE FALSIFICATION
	<p>⁸And they remembered His words. ⁹Then they returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary <i>the mother</i> of James, and the other <i>women</i> with them, who told these things to the apostles. ¹¹And their words seemed to them like idle tales, and they did not believe them. (Luke 24:8-11)</p>		<p>¹¹Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all the things that had happened. ¹²When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, ¹³saying, "Tell them, 'His disciples came at night and stole Him <i>away</i> while we slept.' ¹⁴"And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will appease him and make you secure." ¹⁵So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day. (Matthew 28:11-15)</p>	