

Questions Jesus Asked in the Gospels

Jesus the Risen Messiah in His last days before ascension has questions for us!



	Number of witnesses	Location	Jesus Questions
Jesus Tomb is found empty			
Jesus appears to women			
Mary Magdalene very early am	1	Jerusalem near tomb	Why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?
the women	Several, 3 named	Jerusalem near tomb	
The religious leaders bribe the guards			
Jesus appears on the road to Emmaus			
to 2 believers resurrection afternoon	2	Village of Emmaus	What are you discussing together? What things? Did not the Christ..?
Cleopas & companion report	2 plus apostles	Jerusalem	
Jesus appears to disciples			
to Peter	1	likely Jerusalem	
to the apostles behind locked doors	10 apostles, others	Jerusalem, Sunday evening	Why are you doubting? Why do doubts arise in your minds?
to the apostles with Thomas present	11	Jerusalem, 8 days later	
provides a miraculous catch of fish	5 named plus 2	Sea of Galilee	Do you have anything to eat? Friends, haven't you any fish?
reconciles with Peter	1?John, to the others	Near Sea of Galilee	Do you love me more than these? Do you love me? What is that to you?
gives the great commission	11	Mountain Galilee	
Jesus appears to many before the ascension			
appears to 500	the spread to many	not specified, Galilee?	
appears to James, half brother	1	not specified	
ascends into heaven	about 11 plus?	40 days after resurrection:Jerusalem	

Jesus the Risen Messiah in His last days on Earth

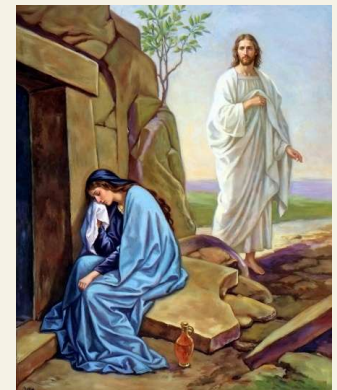
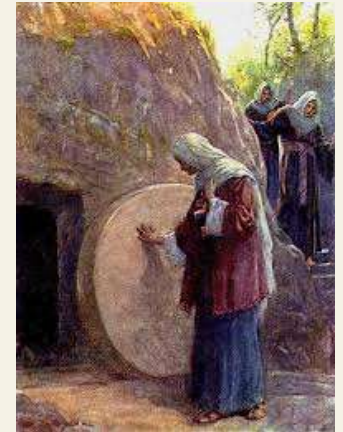
Application questions for US!

- *Who is it you are looking for?*
- *What are you discussing? Do you understand?*
- *Why are you doubting?*
- *Haven't you anything to eat?*
- *Do you truly love Me?*

*Jesus: Woman, why are you crying?
Who is it you are looking for?*

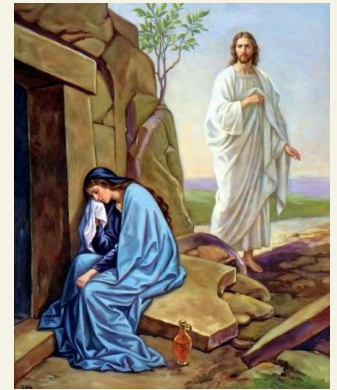
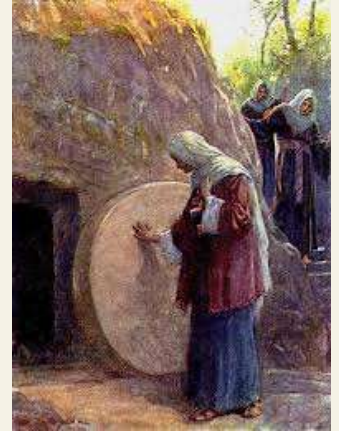
- **Mary Magdalene**

- *Delivered by Jesus from demon possession (Luke 8:1 - 3)*
- *Along with other women, supported Jesus and the 12*
- *Followed Jesus from Galilee*
- *Witnessed the crucifixion*
- *Prepared items for His burial*
- *Followed the sabbath laws*
- *Very early Resurrection morning*
- *Disciples thought the women's report was nonsense*
- *Peter & John went back to their homes*



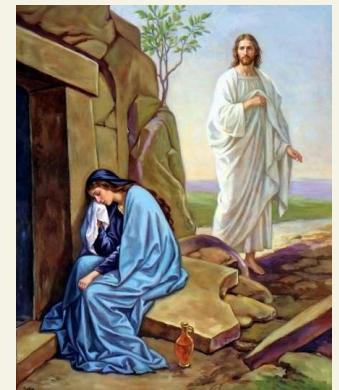
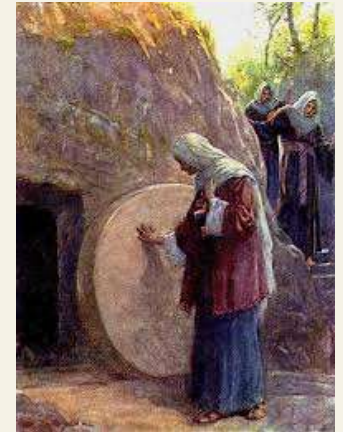
*Jesus: Woman, why are you crying?
Who is it you are looking for? (John 20:10)*

- *Jesus sends angels to Mary in the empty tomb*
 - *They ask: Woman why are you crying?*
 - *Her (mis)understanding-His body has been taken away*
- *Next, Jesus meets her where she is*
 - *In her devotion, perseverance, grief, & misunderstanding*
 - *He repeats the angels question: Woman why are you crying?*
 - *Who is it you are looking for?*



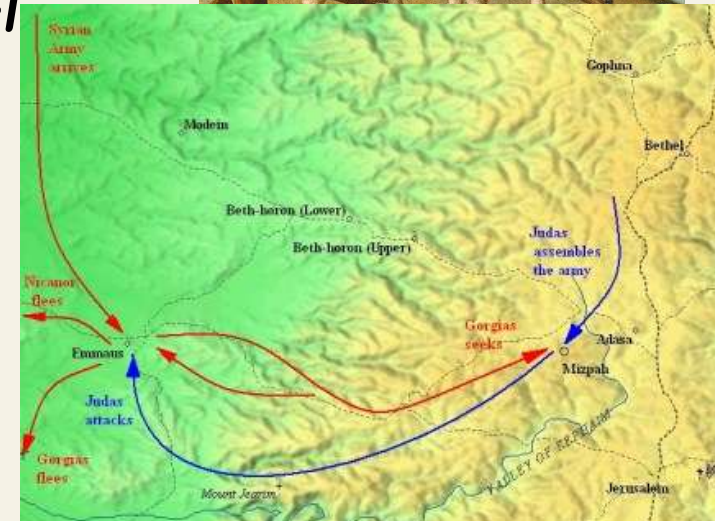
*Jesus: Woman, why are you crying?
Who is it you are looking for?*

- *Jesus disguises identity as first step: "woman"*
- *He prepares her heart with gentleness and care*
- *She reveals her understanding that His body has been moved*
- *He calls her by name*
- *She responds: Rabboni (my God, my teacher)*
- *She holds on to Him (you are here to stay?)*
- *Jesus then can bring her to a new place*
 - *He is resurrected, but not to return to what was*
 - *Go to my brothers and instruct them so they too will know*



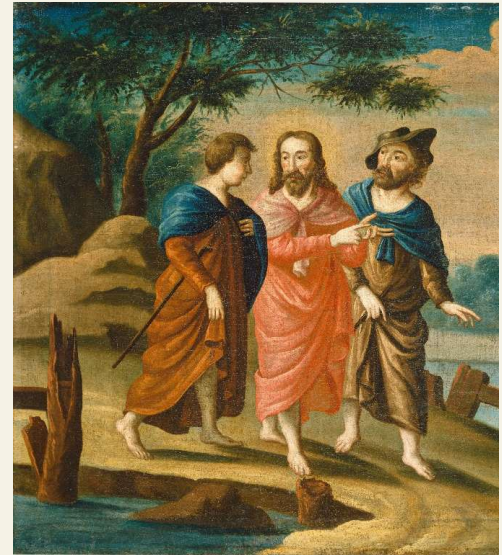
Jesus: Men, what are you discussing? Do you understand?

- *Resurrection Sunday afternoon*
- *The road to Emmaus*
 - *About 7 miles from Jerusalem*
 - *Home of Cleopas plus an unnamed follower*
 - *Area of Judas Maccabee deliverer of Israel*
- *Discussing recent events in Jerusalem*



Jesus: Men, what are you discussing? Do you understand?

- *Jesus comes along side and walks with them*
- *He disguises His identity*
- *Jesus: What are you discussing together?*
- *Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem?*
- *Jesus: What things?*
- *Downcast; hope in the coming messiah is lost; the women were mistaken-not to be found alive*
- *Jesus: Did not the Messiah-suffer/enter His glory?*



Jesus: Men, what are you discussing? Do you understand?

- *Jesus stays until*
 - *He took bread at dinner*
 - *They recognized Him*
 - *Their eyes opened*
 - *He disappeared*
- *Their response*
 - *Did not our hearts burn?*
 - *Returned at once*
 - *Found the 11*
 - *Declared that Simon' report true: Jesus is alive*



Jesus: Men, do you now "get it"? (Luke 24:36...)

- *Jesus comes to the 11 disciples*
 - *Enters their locked room*
 - *"Peace be still"*
 - *Startled and frightened*
 - *Why troubled? Why still doubting?*
 - *Here are my hands and my feet*
 - *Do you have anything to eat?*
 - *Broiled fish*
 - *Understand the Scriptures*



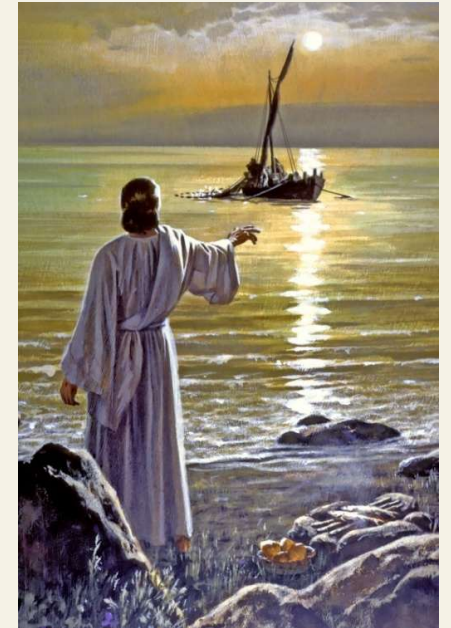
Jesus: Why did you turn back? (Luke 5)

- *The backstory: when Jesus called Simon*
- *Jesus taught the crowds from his boat*
- *Put out into deep water*
- *Caught nothing all night; caught so many*
- *Partners come to help*
- *Jesus to Simon: Do not be afraid*
- *From now on you will catch men*
- *So they left boats ashore & followed*



Jesus: Why did you turn back? (John 21)

- *5 disciples return to fishing*
- *Caught nothing all night*
- *Jesus shows up from shore, disguises himself*
- *Friends, haven't you any fish?*
- *Throw your net on the right, 153 large*
- *John told Peter: "It is the Lord"!*
- *On shore, Jesus had a fire with fish*
- *Friends, bring me some fish*
- *Jesus served fish and bread*



Jesus to Simon Peter: Do you truly love me?

- **Backstory**

- *Jesus prophesied that Peter would turn away 3X*
- *Peter denied he was a follower 3X*
- **Jesus pulls Peter aside and asks 3X**
 - *Note the words for love (ask...answer)*
- 1. αγαπας.....φιλω
- 2. αγαπας..... φιλω
- 3. **φιλεις..... φιλω**



Jesus to Simon Peter: Do you truly love me?

- *1. Simon son of John, do you truly love Me more than these? Feed my lambs*
- *2. Simon son of John, do you truly love Me? Take care of my sheep*
- *3. Simon son of John, do you truly love Me? Feed my sheep. Prophecy. But follow Me. Simon What about John?*

*Jesus: If I want him to ..what is that to you?
You must follow Me*



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Application questions for US!

- *Who is it you are looking for?*
 - *Kingdom now/later/both?*
 - *In hope, living in His unseen presence in action?*
- *What are you discussing? Do you understand?*
 - *Living as if Jesus is walking beside me?*
 - *Hearing His voice by the Spirit and His Word*
- *Haven't you anything to eat?*
 - *The challenge of trust*
- *Do you truly love Me?*
 - *Loving first via God's agape love-serving the result of His love for us*