

Upper Medallion: The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 15:20

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## **Matthew 27:57-66, 28:1-20**

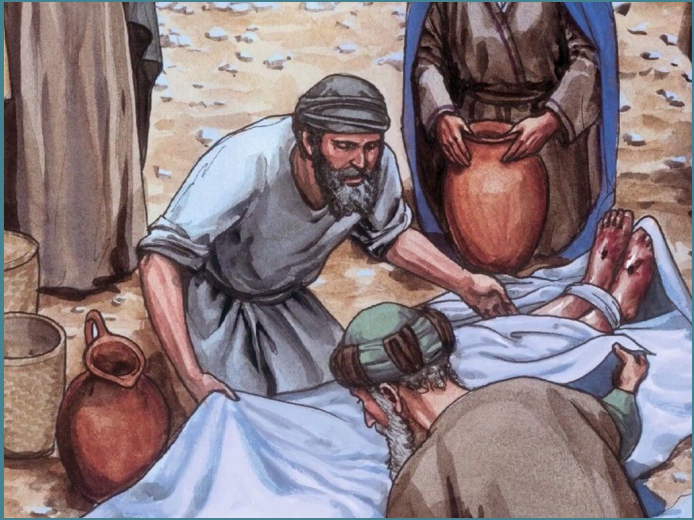
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## **1 Corinthians 15 : 20-23**

The Firstfruits



## Matthew 27:57-61 - The Burial of Jesus



**57** As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. **58** Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. **59** Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, **60** and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. **61** Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.



## Matthew 27:62-66 - The Guard at the Tomb

**62** The next day, the one after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees went to Pilate. **63** “Sir,” they said, “we remember that while he was still alive that deceiver said, ‘After three days I will rise again.’ **64** So give the order for the tomb to be made secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people that he has been raised from the dead. This last deception will be worse than the first.”

**65** “Take a guard,” Pilate answered. “Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how.” **66** So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard.



## Matthew 28:1-10 - Jesus Has Risen

**28** After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

**2** There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it.

**3** His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. **4** The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

**5** The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. **6** He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. **7** 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.”

**8** So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. **9** Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. **10** Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”



## Matthew 28:11-15 - The Guard's Report

**11** While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. **12** When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, **13** telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.' **14** If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." **15** So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

### Matthew 28:13



*Saying, Say ye,  
His disciples  
came by night,  
and stole him  
away while we  
slept.*

## Matthew 28:16-20 - The Great Commission

**16** Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. **18** Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19** Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



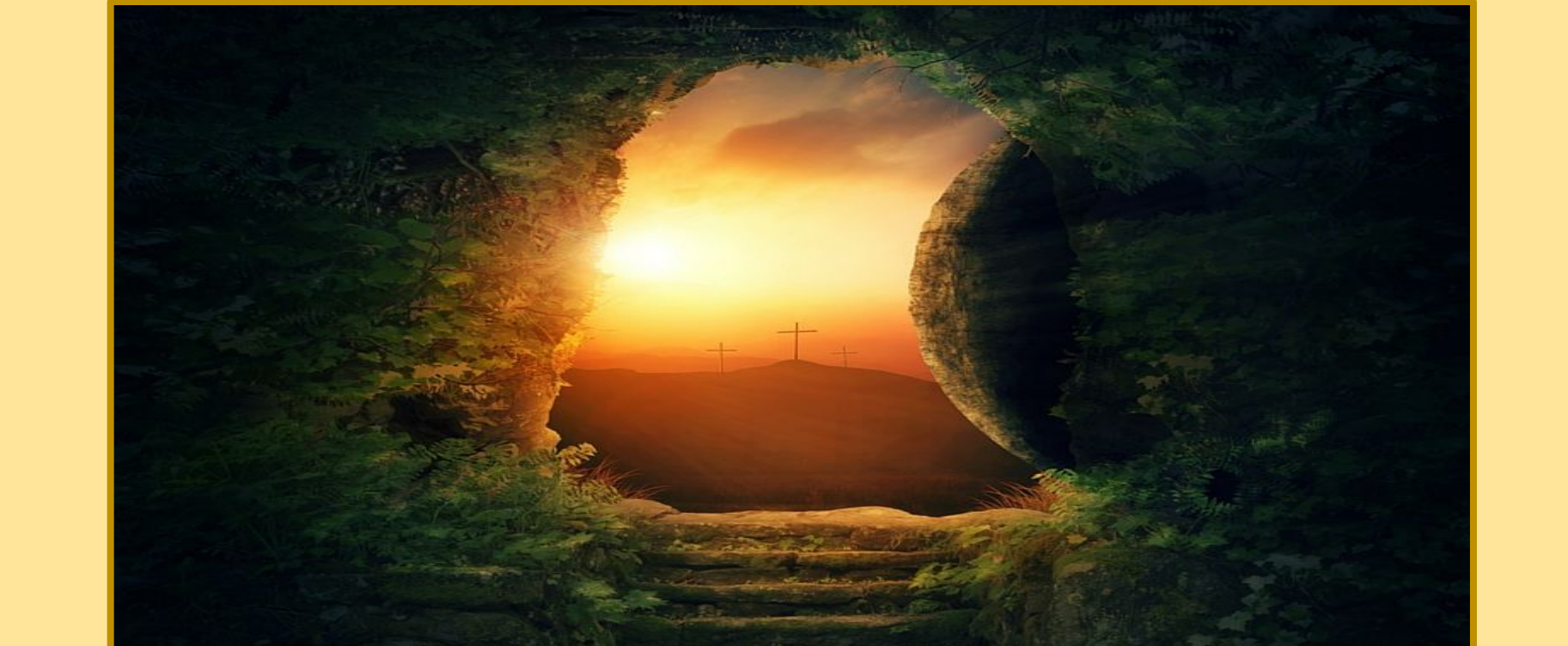
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**1 Corinthians 15:20**

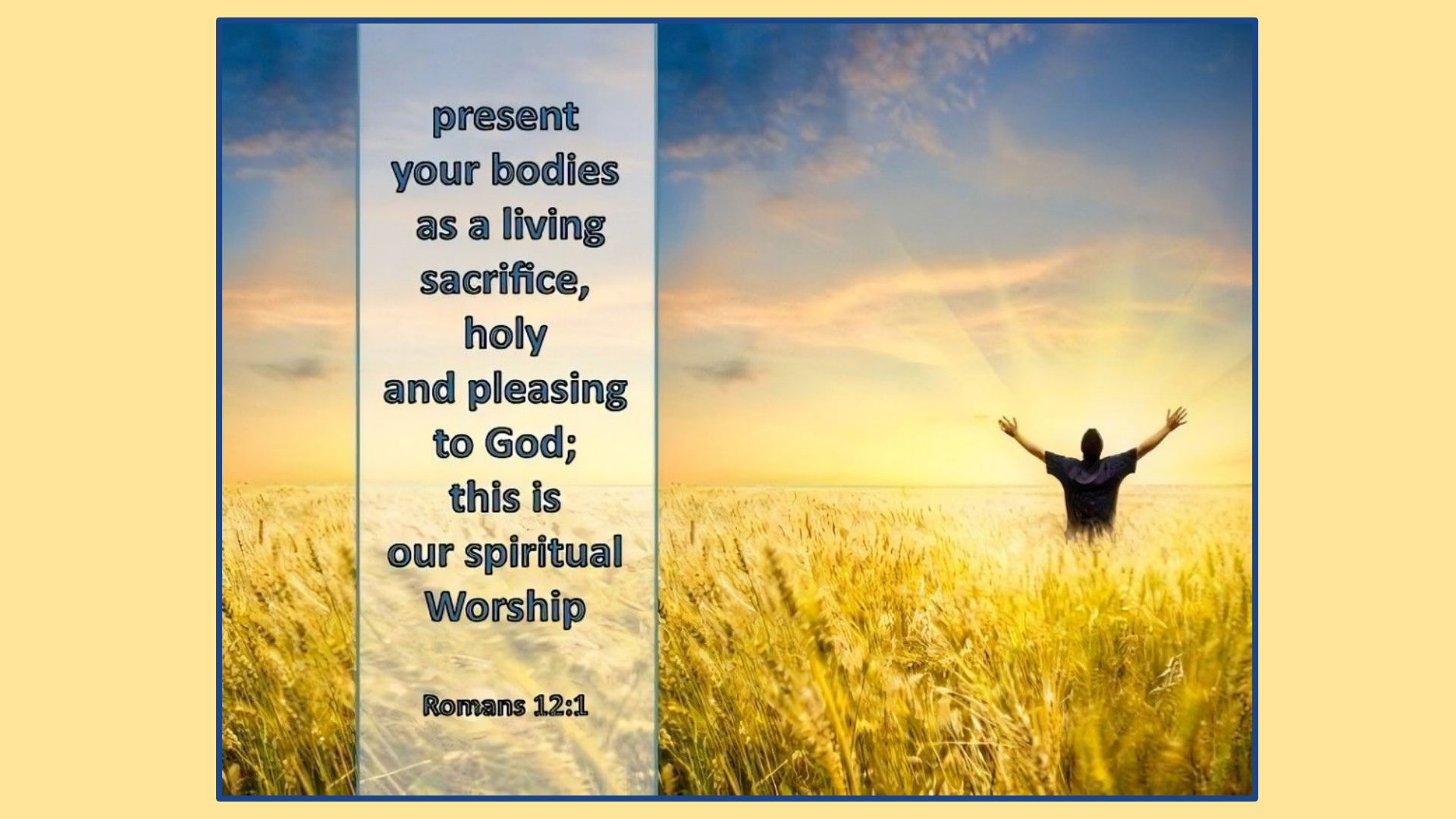
## First Fruits

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,  
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since death came through a man,  
the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.  
For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.  
But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when He comes,  
those who belong to Him.

**1 Corinthians 15:20-23**





A person is seen from behind, standing in a vast field of golden wheat. Their arms are raised high in the air, reaching towards a bright, glowing sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden light that fills the scene. The sky is a mix of blue, orange, and yellow, with some wispy clouds. The overall mood is one of awe, worship, and connection with nature.

**present  
your bodies  
as a living  
sacrifice,  
holy  
and pleasing  
to God;  
this is  
our spiritual  
Worship**

**Romans 12:1**

**Mark 16: 1-8, 9-20 (later)**

First to the tomb: Mary Magdalene,  
Mary, the mother of James, Salome

Details Unique to Mark's Gospel:

- The women fled from the tomb and said nothing to anyone - a curiously abrupt ending to Mark's gospel





## Luke 24

First to the tomb: Mary Magdalene, Mary mother of James, Joanna, “other women,” then Peter

Details Unique to Luke’s Gospel:

- Two angels greet the women in the tomb
- The risen Jesus appears to two followers on the road to Emmaus and disappears in the breaking of the bread with them
- Jesus appears to his disciples and invites them to “touch and see” that he is not a ghost, eating a piece of broiled fish with them



## John 20

First to the tomb: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, the disciple Jesus loved

Details Unique to John's Gospel:

- There's an accusation of grave robbery
- Two disciples race to the tomb
- Jesus' linens are discussed at length
- Mary weeps and sees two angels
- Jesus appears to Mary and she thinks he is the gardener
- Jesus refuses to be touched or held onto
- Jesus appears to his disciples while they hid behind locked doors, breathing on them the Holy Spirit
- Jesus invites Thomas to put his finger in the mark of the nails and his pierced side

