

Evidences Of The Resurrection

Luke 24:1-12

1. The Investigation By The Women (Luke 24:1-3)

¹ But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared
² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

2. The Moving Of The Stone (Luke 24:2)

² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

3. The Explanation By The Angels (Luke 24:4-8)

⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵ And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸ And they remembered his words,

4. The Initial Disbelief By The Disciples (Luke 24:9-11)

⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

5. The Eyewitness Of Peter (12)

¹² But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

Conclusion:

- The evidence for the resurrection calls for your verdict.
- The claim of Christ calls for your faith.
John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live."
- The logic of the empty tomb calls for faith to be reasonable.

Josh McDowell's Reasons (from *The Resurrection Factor*) That Christ's Tomb Was Either:

Occupied				
Unknown Tomb	Wrong Tomb	Legend	Spiritual Resurrection	Hallucinations
OR				
Empty Through Natural Causes				
Stolen By Disciples	Moved By Authorities	Swooned (Faked Death)	Hidden By Joseph Of Arim.	
OR				
Empty Through Supernatural Causes				
Supernatural → Bodily Resurrection → He Is Risen				