



THE WEEK THAT

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THE WORLD

He is Risen

He is Risen Indeed



John 20



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Easter Doubts
Easter Faith
Easter Birth



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For Mary, Peter & Thomas

Why was it so hard to
believe?



Mark 8:31-32

Jesus had said to them

**Son of Man must suffer
many things and be rejected
by the elders and the chief
priests and the scribes and
be killed,**



Mark 8:31-32


and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly.



I want to take you back to
Friday.



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John 19

What must it have been like for
the disciples to hear Jesus Say,

*“My God my God why have you
forsaken me?”*



Peter, “We have left everything
and followed you.”



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Matthew 19:27

**My God My God Why Have you
Forsaken Me?**



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My God My God Why Have you Forsaken Me?

**I think this kind of cry goes up
more often than we think – we
live in a modern culture where
our gods are what we trust in to
make us happy, to bring us
comfort or give us a feeling of
importance and stature.**



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Pain Has a tendency to
brings doubts



Pain Induced Doubts

- My marriage is VERY difficult it would be best to get out.
- This physical pain is too great I would be better off dead.
- Those kids at school are so mean I should get a gun and...
- I can't get free from this addiction so the world would be better off without me ...

Pain Induced Doubts

- I tried and failed so there is no use trying again.



Chantal Sebire, denied her request for euthanasia by a French court this week, was found dead Thursday.



Doubts are Statements of Faith



Doubts are Statements of faith

- I believe my life would be better if I weren't married.
- I believe I have no purpose and all would be better if I ended my life.
- Those kids at school - I believe killing is the answer...
- I believe I will never be free ...

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- I will never succeed because I failed once.



Doubts you Doubts

- Marriage - I believe my life would be better is I weren't married.
- Suffering I believe I and others would be better off dead.
- those kids at school - I believe killing is the answer...
- Addiction I will never be free ...



- I will never succeed because I failed once.



Easter Faith

Jesus with a twist

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2 Corinthians 5:16 (NASB)

Even though we have known
Christ according to the flesh,
**yet now we know Him in this
way no longer.**



John 20:14

When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus.

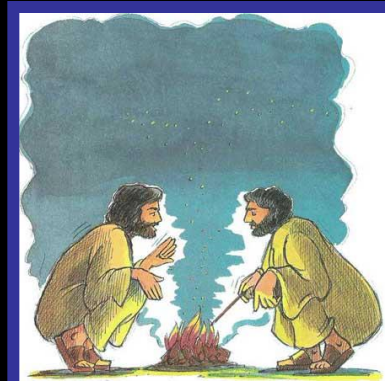


Mary



John 21:12

Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord.



Luke 24:28-32

So they drew near to the village ...they urged, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them.



Luke 24:28-32

When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight.



Matthew 28:16-17

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted.



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Colossians 2:8 Don't let others spoil your faith and joy with their philosophies, their wrong and shallow answers built on men's thoughts and ideas, instead of on what Christ has said.



I decided to try it
for 1 minute

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John 20:26-31

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”



**Then he said to Thomas,
“Put your finger here, and
see my hands; and put out
your hand, and place it in my
side. Do not disbelieve, but
believe.”**



Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”



Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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William Barclay

'If someone fights their way through their doubts to the conviction that Jesus Christ is Lord, they have attained to a certainty that the one who unthinkingly accepts things can never reach.'

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The God Questions

Why Suffering

What really happen when
people die?

Do all roads lead to God?

Is the Bible true?



John 16:20-22

When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a child being has been born into the world.





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