John 20:1-29

"Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance....

Mary stood outside the tomb crying and crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

The angels asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put Him."

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

Jesus asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking He was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have put Him, and I will get Him." Jesus said to her, "MARY!" She turned toward Him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."



Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that He had said these things to her.

In the evening, when the disciples were huddled together, afraid behind locked doors, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After He said this, Jesus showed them His hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

But Thomas, was not with the disciples when

Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in His hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe it."

A week later, the disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though 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; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me,
you have believed; blessed are those who have
not seen and yet have believed."

