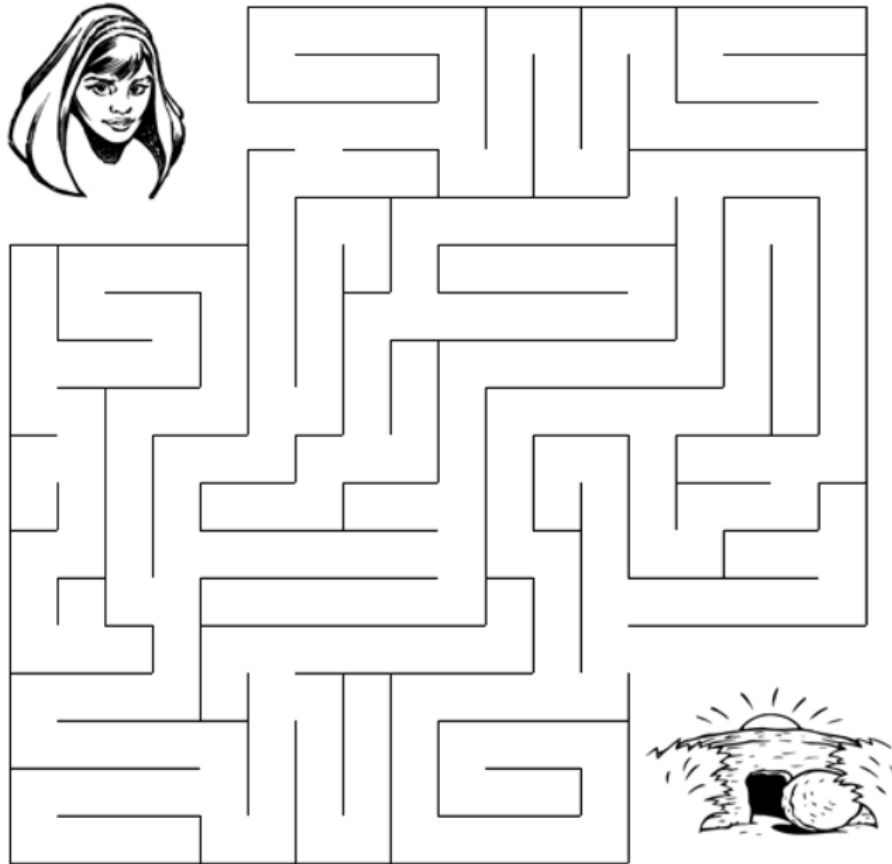


The Resurrection Maze

Can you help Mary find the way to the empty tomb?



Bible Memory Verse

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.

John 20:18 (NIV)

WELCOME

I've Just Seen Jesus!

The Resurrection of Jesus
(John 20:1-28)



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Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb where Jesus had been buried. She found that the stone was rolled away from the entrance. She ran and found Simon Peter and another disciple, John. She told them, "They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put Him!"

Peter and John started out for the tomb. They were both running, but John outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He stooped and looked in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he didn't go in. Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He noticed the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying apart from the other wrappings. Then John saw and believed -- for until then, they still hadn't understood the Scriptures that said Jesus must rise from the dead. Then they went home.

Mary stayed behind, weeping. As she knelt down and looked inside the tomb, she saw two angels dressed in white. They asked her why she was crying. She told them she didn't know where they had taken Jesus. Then, Mary turned and saw a man standing behind her. It was Jesus, but Mary did not recognize Him. She thought He was the gardener. Then Jesus called her by name and, when she heard His voice, she recognized Him. After she saw that it was Jesus, she went to the disciples and said to them, "I've just seen Jesus! He is alive!"

Some people, like Mary, Peter, and John can't see Jesus because they are looking for Him in a grave or on a cross. He isn't there! He is risen and is seated at the right hand of His Father in heaven. If you want to see Jesus, look in His Word, He will reveal Himself to you, just as He did to Mary.

Dear God, we thank You that Jesus, our Saviour, is not in a grave. He is alive! We serve a risen Saviour! Hallelujah! In Jesus' name, amen.



"He has risen! He is not here."
Mark 16:6



"He is not here, he is risen!"
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