

Matthew 28:1-7

¹Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave. ²And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. ³And his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. ⁴The guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men. ⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. ⁶He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying. ⁷Go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead; and behold, He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see Him; behold, I have told you."

SERMON NOTES

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Who Will Roll Away the Stone?

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Mark 16:3 "They were saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?'"

Art and humor in the Easter story – angel SAT on the stone; guards FAINTED with fear; a SEVERE earthquake

"God laughs" (Psalm 2:4)

- **Stone of Sin**

"His clothing was as white as snow." (v. 3)

- **Stone of Need**

"What shall we drink? (Exodus 15:24)

- **Stone of Suffering**

Philippians 3:10 "that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings..."

"A cross that must be carried."

Luke 19:40 "But Jesus answered, 'I tell you, if these become silent, the stones will cry out!'"

"On this rock I will build my church."