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Mary the Resurrection Preacher!  
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**#Resurrection #Easter #Passover Lamb #HeisRisen**

**The event chronology surrounding the resurrection of Jesus Christ is confusing but understandable. It is actually a proof that the eyewitness testimonies of the people in the Gospels are true and authentic. If all the Gospels repeated the same story word for word, detail for detail naysayers would just assert they were simply copied from each other. Think of the veracity of eyewitness testimony in a courtroom. How much more reliable is it if it is from two or more witnesses? Throughout the Bible, God uses foolish things to confound the wise. He is either the Stone which we fall upon in faith for mercy, or the Stone which we reject in doubt which will crush us in judgment.**

**1Co 13:12** *For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.*

**Today, I thought we would do a Scripture comparison of the Resurrection between the Gospels. Today we will only be able to examine Mary’s accounts up until she preaches that Jesus is alive to all the disciples. They responded by doubting that Jesus was alive.**

**The Resurrection**

*(*[*Psalm 16:1-11*](http://biblehub.com/kjv/psalms/16.htm)*;*[*Psalm 49:1-20*](http://biblehub.com/kjv/psalms/49.htm)*;*[*Matthew 28:1-10*](http://biblehub.com/kjv/matthew/28.htm)*;*[*Mark 16:1-8*](http://biblehub.com/kjv/mark/16.htm)*;*[*Luke 24:1-12*](http://biblehub.com/kjv/luke/24.htm)*)*

**John 20:1-18** The first *day* of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. [**2**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-2.htm) **Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.** [**3**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-3.htm)Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. [**4**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-4.htm)So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. [**5**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-5.htm)And he stooping down, *and looking in*, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. [**6**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-6.htm)Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, [**7**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-7.htm)And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. [**8**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-8.htm)Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. [**9**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-9.htm)For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. **10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.** [**11**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-11.htm)But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, *and looked* into the sepulchre, [**12**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-12.htm)And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. [**13**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-13.htm)And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. [**14**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-14.htm)And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. [**15**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-15.htm)Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. [**16**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-16.htm)Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master. [**17**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-17.htm)Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and *to* my God, and your God. [**18**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-18.htm)Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and *that* he had spoken these things unto her.

**Chronology of Events:  
1. Mary Magdalene came with the other women to the tomb early in the morning.   
Matt 28:1, Mark 16:1-2, Luke 24:1, John 20:1**

**2. The women saw the stone being rolled away by an angel, found the stone rolled away, tomb empty, and angel/s testifying.   
Matt 28:2-6, Luke 24:2-8, John 20:1,**

**3. Mary’s initial testimony to all of the eleven or two disciples. Then Peter and John go to confirm the report about the tomb being empty and the angel’s testimony to the women. Peter and John come see the empty tomb and returned to their homes.   
John 20:2, Luke 24:8-12**

**Luke 24:**[**8**](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-8.htm)**-12** *And they[the women] remembered his words,*[*9*](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-9.htm)*And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.*[*10*](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-10.htm) *It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.*[*11*](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-11.htm)*And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and* ***they believed them not.***[*12*](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-12.htm)*Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.*

**Luke 24: 22-24** *Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.*[*24*](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-24.htm)*And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said:* ***but him they saw not.*** *[Peter & John]*

**I suppose possibly the doubt of the Apostles had infected the women limiting their testimony, even though they had seen and worshiped Jesus on the way to the eleven. The other possibility is that the part of the testimony of the women seeing Jesus during their travels to see the disciples was left out.**

**4. Mary meets Jesus alone after the two disciples left to return home.???**

Mark 16:9-10 Now when *Jesus* was risen early the first *day* of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils. [10](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-10.htm)*And* she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept. [11](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-11.htm)And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

**5. Mary and all the women go to give Mary’s second testimony to all the disciples that Jesus is alive. All the women now see Jesus and worship Him on the way. Matt 28:8-10**

**6. The two disciples see Jesus on the road to Emmaus but don’t recognize him. Jesus reveals who He is and disappears.   
Luke 24:28-32**

***7. The disciples in the upper room fear and doubt, Jesus appears.***

**Mark 16:**[**12**](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-12.htm)**-13** After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country. [13](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-13.htm)And they went and told *it* unto the residue: neither believed they them. *[until Jesus shows up moments later]*

**Luke 24:33-36** And they [two Emmaus Rd. disciples] rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, [34](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-34.htm)Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and **hath appeared to Simon**. [35](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-35.htm)And they told what things *were done* in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread. [36](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-36.htm) And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.  
  
1 Cor 15:5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:

**John 20:19**John 20:19 Then the **same day at evening**, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you

**>>> Jesus sends the eleven to an unnamed mountain to meet with Him and gives them the Great Commission.**

**Mark 16:14-18**[14](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-14.htm)Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. [15](http://biblehub.com/mark/16-15.htm)And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

**Matt 28:8-10** And they [the women] departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word. [**9**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-9.htm)And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him. [**10**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-10.htm)Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren **that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.**  
  
**Matt 28:**[**16**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-16.htm)-20 Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. [**17**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-17.htm)And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. [**18**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-18.htm)And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. [**19**](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-19.htm)Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:**[20](http://biblehub.com/matthew/28-20.htm)**Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

**Luke 24:50-51**  
[**50**](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-50.htm)And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. [**51**](http://biblehub.com/luke/24-51.htm)And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven  
  
At this point I could to jump to an Acts 1 conclusion in regards to this ascension. However, this becomes contradictory as Jesus taught for forty days according to Paul after His resurrection:  
**The other possibility is that Jesus had multiple ascensions.** This is what I believe is the truth. Remember, Jesus told Mary not to touch Him, yet eight days later Jesus tells doubting Thomas that he is to touch Jesus in the prints of his hand and the wound in His side. So, Jesus MUST have ascended in order to be touched by humans for whatever reason.[that is not explained] Another confirming thought for me is that who would Jesus want to see first but the Father in heaven?

**John 20:**[**17**](http://biblehub.com/john/20-17.htm) *Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father:*

**Acts 1:2-3**  
[**2**](http://biblehub.com/acts/1-2.htm)Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen: [**3**](http://biblehub.com/acts/1-3.htm)To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

**1 Cor 15:4-7** And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: [**5**](http://biblehub.com/1_corinthians/15-5.htm)And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: [**6**](http://biblehub.com/1_corinthians/15-6.htm)After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. [**7**](http://biblehub.com/1_corinthians/15-7.htm)After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.

IRT vs 7…there must have been more than the 12 original Apostles.

We know that there were 50 days between Jesus’ resurrection and the Holy Ghost coming upon the disciples and filling them. So, we can deduct 10 days between His last ascension and the infilling of the Holy Ghost.

Conclusions:  
1. The Bible needs to be studied very carefully before we presume to know exactly what is happening chronologically etc.   
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2. There must be at least two ascensions. We don’t know why Mary couldn’t touch Jesus but there is lots of speculation

3. The testimony of witnesses varies according to their perspective. But, it does not make it untrue nor question the veracity of Scriptures accounts of Jesus and the truth in history.

4. Mary and the women gave witness or preached to the eleven men the resurrection of Jesus. This does not mean that women should teach men in the fellowship of saints. 1 Tim 2

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