

**Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for October 30, 1988**

**Resurrection of Jesus
Part 2
Matthew 28:1-10
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Introduction: By the testimony of one, men are convicted or released. One reliable witness is all it takes.

1. The women approach the tomb
2. The women discover the empty tomb
3. The women's angelic confrontations
4. The women confront the resurrected Lord

Verse 9, "Jesus met them and greeted them and they came up and took hold of His feet and worshipped Him."

John 20:14-18 gives us Jesus' first appearance after His resurrection. "Woman why are you weeping?" Why are any of us weeping in light of our resurrected Lord? In John then Jesus says to her, "Mary." He just simply calls her name. "Stop clinging to me." Why does Jesus say this to Mary? Mary is clinging to Jesus like she will never let Him go. Mary was very emotionally bound to Jesus but Jesus' plan was to ascend to heaven to prepare a place for us. "I ascend to my Father and your Father and my God and your God." In Matthew the other women then meet Jesus. Jesus greets them and they take hold of His feet and worship Him. Now there are many witnesses who will bear the testimony that Jesus has risen.