

- I. The stone of death was rolled away
 - A. Jesus died from crucifixion
 - B. Jesus was buried in a tomb
 - C. Jesus was raised from the dead

“But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.” (Acts 2:24)

- D. Jesus offers us eternal life

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies.” (John 11:25)

- II. The stone of doubt was rolled away
 - A. They came to the tomb full of fear
 - B. They came to the tomb full of doubt
 - C. They met an angel messenger
 - D. They heard the message of hope
 - E. They met the risen Christ

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy, he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” (I Peter 1:1-3)

- III. The stone of despair was rolled away
 - A. They came in great despair
 - B. They left full of joy
 - C. They left with a mission

“If you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord’, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” (Romans 10:9)

- IV. The stone of defeat was rolled away
 - A. They came defeated
 - B. They left in victory

“Death has been swallowed up in victory” (I Corinthians 15:54)

- C. They worshipped the risen Lord