

Chronology of Easter Events

		Bible Passages				
Easter Sunday		Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Other
1	Mary Magdalene, Mary (mother of James and Joses, wife of Clopas), Salome (mother of James and John, wife of Zebedee), Jonna, and other women go to the tomb at sunrise on Easter morning. (Perhaps departing from Bethany, the home of Mary and Martha.)	28:1	16:1-4	24:1-2 (10)	20:1	
2	The angels appear and, with a small earthquake, roll away the stone, frightening the guards.	28:2-4				
3	Mary Magdalene, upon seeing the open tomb, runs to Jerusalem and finds Peter and John, reporting that the tomb is empty				20:2	
4	The other women enter the tomb, see two angels and are addressed by one. These angels send them to the disciples (and to Peter) to report the Lord's resurrection and to go and meet Him in Galilee.	28:5-8	16:5-8	24:3-8		
5	The women go back to Jerusalem to find Peter and John at John's house.					
6	In the meantime Peter and John have left to investigate the empty tomb. They pass these women on the way, not speaking to them, go to the tomb, see its emptiness. John believes. They both return to Jerusalem.			24:12	20:3-10	
7	Mary Magdalene, who followed Peter and John, remains in the garden, speaks to the angels, and then Jesus appears to her.		16:9		20:11-17	
8	When Peter and John return home, the women waiting there report the empty tomb and the words of the angels, then they leave to find the other disciples (who perhaps were staying in Bethany).					
9	On their way to find the other disciples, Jesus appears to the women, sending the disciples to Galilee.	28:9-10				
10	Mary Magdalene returns to Jerusalem and reports all she has seen.		16:10-11		20:18	
11	Guards go to the chief priests, report what happened, and plot to keep the resurrection a secret.	28:11-15				
12	The women go to the other disciples, report what they have seen.			24:9-11		
13	After hearing the report of the women and Peter and John, Cleopas and another disciple leave Jerusalem to travel to Emmaus. They are met by Jesus who is hidden from them. When they arrive at Emmaus, Jesus stops, prays, is recognized in the breaking of the bread, and disappears from their sight.		16:12	24:13-32		
14	The other disciples gather in Jerusalem.					
15	Cleopas and the other disciples turn and run back to Jerusalem.			24:33		
16	Jesus appears to Peter alone.			24:34		1 Cor 15:5
17	Cleopas and the other disciple arrive at Jerusalem, find ten of the disciples, report all that they have seen.		16:13	24:35		
18	Jesus appears to the ten disciples and others, shows them His hands and His side. Jesus breathes on them and sends them out to forgive and retain sins.		16:15-18	24:36-45	20:19-23	
19	After Jesus leaves Thomas returns and doubts the account of the other disciples.				20:24-25	
The Sunday after Easter						
20	Jesus appears to the eleven (especially) Thomas, and offers His blessings to those who believe and have not seen.				20:24-29	
Various Appearances before the Lord's Ascension						
21	Six disciples are fishing in the Sea of Galilee, and Jesus appears to them, has a breakfast of broiled fish, and restores Peter.				21:1-23	
22	On a Galilee mountain, the Lord sends His disciples to make disciples of all nations through baptism and preaching, and promises His abiding presence.	28:16-20				
23	Jesus sends His disciples to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins in His name, beginning at Jerusalem. Jesus tells His disciples to tarry in Jerusalem.			24:46-49		Acts 1:4-5
Forty Days after Easter, the Ascension						
24	Leaving Jerusalem with His disciples, traveling over the Mt of Olives toward Bethany, Jesus ascends into heaven.		16:19-20	24:50-53		Acts 1:6-12
25	The disciples remained in the upper room in Jerusalem for ten days until Pentecost.					Acts 1:12-14