

Jesus talks to His friends.

Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-23

Most of Jesus' special friends were together in a room with the doors locked. They were afraid that the people who killed Jesus would try to hurt them, too.

Suddenly Jesus was in the room with them! He didn't come through the door—it was locked. He didn't come through the windows—they were shut. He just appeared!

Jesus said, "Peace be with you." His friends were afraid! They thought Jesus was a ghost. "Why are you afraid?" Jesus asked. "Why don't you believe that it is really me? Touch me and see that I am really alive. I'm not a ghost." Jesus showed them His hands and His feet that still had marks from when He was on the cross. Jesus even ate some fish with them. Jesus explained to them that He had to die on the cross so that people everywhere could have their sins forgiven. Finally, the friends believed that Jesus really was alive. They were so happy!

Memory Verse: Matthew 28:5-7 5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead'

The disciples were witnesses of the resurrection of Jesus. He was dead, but now is alive forevermore. I Corinthians 15:3- says: 3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time,

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