A DAY LIKE NO OTHER!

JOHN (20:1) anchors this [resurrection] event to a **DAY** > **TIME** > **WITNESS**

[GOOD] FRIDAY

 Prehistory > Jesus Death of an animal required to <u>cover</u> offenses against God

 A culmination and REMEDY to the endless cycle of <u>sin</u> > <u>sacrifice</u>

God CONQUERED death by using death!

He is the REMEDY for the defilement of our sins, and not our sins only, but the sins of the whole world.

(1 Jn. 2:2 NEB)

SUNDAY... only on **this day** in history:

1. A <u>dead</u> man, 3 days gone, <u>emerged</u> out of stone tomb <u>sealed</u> with a boulder and <u>guarded</u> by soldiers.

Angel > Stone This was not to let Jesus **out**, but to allow folks to **enter**.

Solders > Story "widely circulated" = no one believed it."

2. Mourners visiting a **tomb** were **rebuked** for looking for the "living."

They were challenged for their MEMORY, for <u>assuming</u> that a dead body would actually be in the <u>grave</u> where it had been placed.

This challenge was based [solely] on a **previous prediction** by the dead person!

3. A seismic shift so radical that (if believed) brings <u>vision</u> to every death bed, <u>joy</u> to every funeral, and <u>hope</u> to every human heart of every culture, station, and generation!

On <u>that</u> day, Jesus appeared to his disciples, and the <u>reality</u> of his living body and its <u>implications</u> filled them with joy and amazement.

This resurrected body could never be touched by death again!

These eyewitnesses were given a glimpse of their own future...
The confidence of **existence**, of **reunion**, and of **invincibility**.

The first man was of the earth, the second man was of heaven... and just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so shall we bear the likeness of the man from heaven... Where, O Death, is your victory? Where O Grave, is your string?

(1 Cor. 15:48ff)