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EASTER IS THE OPEN TOMB

Read Matthew 28:1-7

Did you think the Lord from heaven came down and opened the tomb to let Jesus out? From this scripture it is obvious that Christ had risen before the boulder was rolled away. It was when the Marys came to look at the tomb that it was opened.

The messenger of God then addressed himself to the women and, with his announcement of the resurrection, invited them to see the place where the Lord had been laid. They saw that He was not there, and this convincing evidence became the basis for the enthusiasm with which they carried the angel's message (they ran quickly) to the disciples.

St. Paul, writing to the Ephesian church, speaks of a power available to believers, "a power which operates with the strength of the might which He exerted in raising Christ from the dead." This is the practical secret of the resurrection for us; this power is available for us. This is what the women saw when the tomb was opened for them.

It makes the resurrection even more wonderful when we realize that Christ was risen before the stone was rolled away and that the tomb was opened to let us look in at the power which God made available to us through the resurrection of His Son, our Savior.