Then Roman soldiers sealed and guarded the tomb. Now nobody could get in or out.

If this were the end of the story, how sad it would be. But God did something wonderful. Jesus did not stay dead!

Early in the morning of the first day of the week, some of Jesus’ disciples found the stone rolled away from the grave. When they looked inside, Jesus was no longer there.

One woman stayed, weeping by the tomb. Jesus appeared to her! She rushed back joyfully to tell the other disciples.

“JESUS IS ALIVE! JESUS HAS COME BACK FROM THE DEAD!”

Soon Jesus came to the disciples, and showed them His nail-scarred hands. It was true. JESUS WAS ALIVE AGAIN! He forgave Peter for denying Him, and told His disciples to tell everybody about Him. Then He went back to heaven where He had come from.

The First Easter
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“The entrance of Your Words gives light.”
Psalm 119:130

God knows we have done bad things, which He calls sin. The penalty for sin is death.

God loves us so much He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on a Cross and pay our penalty. Jesus came alive and went back to Heaven! Now God can forgive our sins.

If you want to turn from your sins, say this to God:
Dear God, I believe Jesus died for me and now lives again. Please come into my life and forgive my sins, so I can have new life now, and then be with You forever. Help me live for You as Your child. Amen. John 3:16

Read the Bible and talk to God every day!

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A few days before Jesus was killed, a lady came and poured perfumed ointment on His feet. "She's wasting money," the disciples complained. "She's done a good work," Jesus said. "She did it for my burial." What strange words!

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Then Jesus told His friends that He would be betrayed, and they would run away. "I won't run away," Peter insisted. "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times," Jesus said.

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After this, Judas, one of Jesus' twelve disciples, agreed to betray Jesus to the chief priests for 30 pieces of silver.

Judas was sorry, too. He knew Jesus was not guilty of any sin or crime. Judas took back the 30 pieces of silver, but the priests wouldn't take it.

Judas threw the money down, went out - and hanged himself.