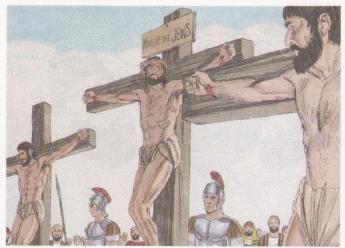
Jesus Lives Again



Thus Jesus died, nailed to a cross between two robbers.



That evening, a man named Joseph of Arimathea went to Pilate, asking for the body of Jesus. Joseph was a rich man who was a disciple of Jesus.



With Pilate's permission, Joseph took the body of Jesus down from the cross. He wrapped it in a linen cloth and put it in his own new tomb, which was cut out of rock.



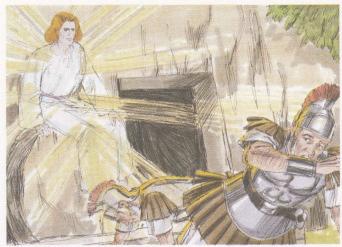
The chief priests and Pharisees went to see Pilate, too. They said, "This imposter, while he was alive, said 'I will rise again after three days."



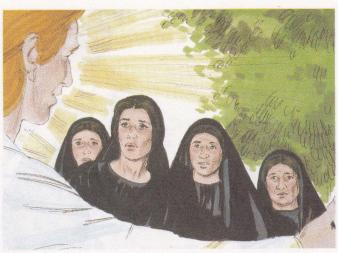
"We fear his disciples will steal his body and say, 'He has risen from the dead.'" Pilate said, "Take guards and make it secure." So they sealed the tomb and stationed guards.



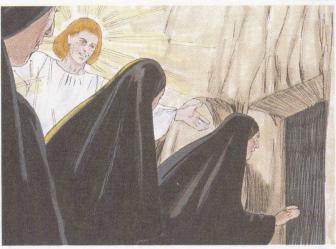
On Sunday morning about dawn, Mary Magdalene and some other women went back to the tomb where Jesus' body had been placed. They had been at the tomb when the stone was put in place.



But there was a great earthquake, and an angel came and rolled back the stone and sat upon it. The guards trembled in fear and became like dead men.



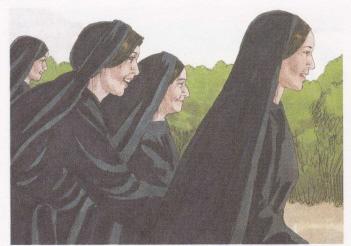
The angel said to the women, "Don't be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said."



Come and see where he lay," the angel said.



Then the angel said, "Go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead and that he is going ahead to Galilee. There you will see him."



The women left quickly from the tomb, filled with fear and with great joy. They ran to tell his disciples the news.



And behold—Jesus met them and greeted them! They fell at his feet and worshiped. "Don't be afraid," Jesus said. "Tell my brothers to go to Galilee and there they will see me."