

Before You Share the Easter Story
Step Four: Answer the Question, "How can I know for sure?"
Acts 1:3

How can I know for sure that the death of Christ has the power to save me from my sinful condition?

The answer is, "because of the Resurrection!"

Which naturally leads to, "then how can I know that the resurrection really happened?"

Proofs of the Resurrection

- 1) The Roman guard and seal made it practically impossible for the body to be stolen. If the chief elders really believed the body was stolen, every disciple would have been arrested and questioned.
- 2) If the disciples stole the body, at least one of the cowardly conspirators would have cracked. Added to that, virtually none of them would have gone to the death proclaiming a made up story.
- 3) There is virtually no time lapse (only the prophesied 3 days) in the chronology. He died. He was buried. He was raised. He appeared.
- 4) The uneducated cowards became incredibly bold, persuasive missionaries.
- 5) The sheer number of the eye-witnesses, which included the conversion of many noted skeptics.
- 6) The emergence of the church with Sunday worship; baptism and the Lord's Supper are symbols; generosity and love became the norm; and women and slaves became equals in salvation.
- 7) Because Jesus said it would happen.