

John 20:1–2 (NKJV) Now on the first *day* of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw *that* the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him.”

Mark 16:9 (NLT) After Jesus rose from the dead early on Sunday morning, **the first person who saw him was Mary Magdalene**, the woman from whom he had cast out seven demons.

Perhaps the biggest test of our faith is how we respond to trials and tragedy.

1 Corinthians 15:53 (NLT) For our dying bodies must be transformed into bodies that will never die; our mortal bodies must be transformed into immortal bodies.

John 20:3–7 (NLT) ³ Peter and the other disciple started out for the tomb. ⁴ They were both running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He stooped and looked in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he didn’t go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ while the cloth that had covered Jesus’ head was folded up and lying apart from the other wrappings.

John 20:19–22 (NLT) ¹⁹ That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! “**Peace be with you,**” he said. ²⁰ As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! ²¹ Again he said, “**Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.**” ²² Then he breathed on them and said, “**Receive the Holy Spirit.**”

Because the supernatural is natural to God and He wants the supernatural to be just as natural to the followers of Christ.

Psalms 16:11 (NKJV) You will show me the path of life;
In Your presence *is* fullness of joy;
At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore.

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Genesis 2:7 (NLT) Then the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground. He breathed the breath of life into the man’s nostrils, and the man became a living person.