

EASTER DAY



1. On the first Easter Day, the **STONE** which sealed our Lord's tomb was found r_____ a_____.
2. Over the next 40 days our Lord was seen to be alive by _____ people.
3. **STONES** can be very heavy. They remind us of the great w_____ of sin we all carry.
4. **STONES** are used for f_____. The rolled away stone speaks of the R_____ as a great f_____ for our lives.

*R.A .Torrey entitled the Resurrection '
The Gibraltar of Christian evidences.'*

5. In 1 Samuel 7 v 12, Samuel set up a large **STONE** and called it E_____ which means '*hitherto hath the Lord helped us.*'
The fact that Our Lord is raised from the dead is a constant h_____ to His people.
6. In Genesis 28:1 Jacob used a **STONE** for a p_____. As he lay on it he saw a vision of a ladder up to heaven. Our Saviour's death and resurrection is, for us, a ladder up to heaven...a pillar on which to rest all our cares.

*'He is not here,
for He is risen!'* Matt 28 v 6

AN EASTER CATECHISM

How long did our Blessed Lord lie in the tomb?

Our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ rose from the tomb on the third day from the dead.

Why did our Blessed Lord rise again?

It was not possible that our Blessed Lord should be left in the tomb (Acts 2 v 24). He rose again by His own Divine Power, as He said, 'I lay down my life that I may take it again'....I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again.' (John 10v 17-18)

When did our Blessed Lord rise again?

Our Blessed Lord rose again from the dead on Sunday, the first day of the week, on the third day after his burial. (Mark 16 v 9)

What does the Creed say about our Lord's Resurrection?

He rose again from the dead.'

How long did our Blessed Lord remain in the tomb?

Our Blessed Lord remained in the tomb for three days and three nights (i.e. from about 3pm to sunset about Friday; the whole of Saturday -two days: the whole of Sunday (i.e. from 6pm on Saturday night till about 6am on Sunday morning when the Lord arose)-three days and three nights).

6. Had our Blessed Lord's Resurrection been foreshadowed in the Old Testament?

Our Blessed Lord's Resurrection had been foreshadowed in the Old Testament: Isaac restored to his father after he was accounted as dead (Gen 22 v 2); Joseph delivered from the prison (Gen 39 v 20); and others raised from the dead by those who in Old Testament times were raised from the dead.

7. Whom do we read of in the Old Testament who were raised from the dead?

The son of the widow of Zarephath was raised from the dead by Elisha (1 Kings 17 v 21); the son of the Shunnamite was raised from the dead to life by Elisha (2 Kings 4 v 34-5); a dead man who was buried in the tomb of Elisha was raised to life by touching the bones of the prophet (2 Kings 13 v 21).

8. How did our Blessed Lord's Resurrection differ from these?

*Our Blessed Lord's resurrection differed from those we read of in the Old Testament, because **they** all died again after a time, but 'Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him' (Rom 6 v 9)*

9. How do we know that our Blessed Lord rose from the dead?

Our Blessed Lord's Resurrection is borne witness to by the Scriptures, by the women, by the Apostles (Acts 10 v 40); by His enemies.