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Synchronizing the Resurrection Narratives, Event #4: Mary Magdalene Discovers the Stone Missing and runs to tell Peter and John, John 20:2.

Review of the resurrection narrative thus far:

Event#1: Saturday – 5:45 P.M. – 2 Marys go to “look” at grave

Matthew 28:1 Now **late** on the Sabbath, as the first day (Sunday) was **about to begin**, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave.

Event#2: Sunday – 3:00-4:00 a.m. – earthquake and angel of the Lord

Matthew 28:2-4 And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. ³ And his appearance was like lightning, and his garment as white as snow; ⁴ and the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men.

Event #3: Sunday, 4:00-5:00 a.m. – Mary Magdalene visits the tomb before daybreak

John 20:1 Now on the first *day* of the week Mary Magdalene came early to the tomb, while it was still dark, and saw the stone *already* taken away from the tomb (NAS).

Event #4: Sunday – 4:15-5:15 a.m. – Mary Magdalene is distraught at the sight of the stone missing from the opening of the tomb. She runs to report this to Peter and John.

John 20:2 And so 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."

In Christ, the Alpha and Omega of thought and life,

Pastor Don