


The Structure of John 20:1-18

External: Scenes

	19:38-42	20:1-18	20:19-25
Characters	Joseph of Arimathaea. Pilate, Nicodemus	Mary Magdalene, Peter, John, Angels, Lord Jesus	Disciples, Lord Jesus
Place	Palace, Calvary, Tomb	Tomb	Upper Room
Time	Friday night	Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening

Internal: Chiasm

Mary	1 Finds tomb empty		11-18 Meets the Angels & the Lord
Peter & John	2-4 Run to the tomb		19 Return home
John	4-5 Views from outside		8-9 Enters tomb, believes
Peter	6-7 Enters tomb, views the cloths		

The First Day of the Week

The Day of the Lord's Resurrection

Mat 28:1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward **the first day of the week**, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

Mar 16:2 And very early in the morning **the first day of the week**, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

Luk 24:1 Now upon **the first day of the week**, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

The Church's Day of Worship

Act 20:7 And upon **the first day of the week**, when the disciples came together to break bread, ...

1Co 16:2 Upon **the first day of the week** let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

Rev 1:10 I was in the Spirit on **the Lord's day**, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

Rolling Stone Tombs

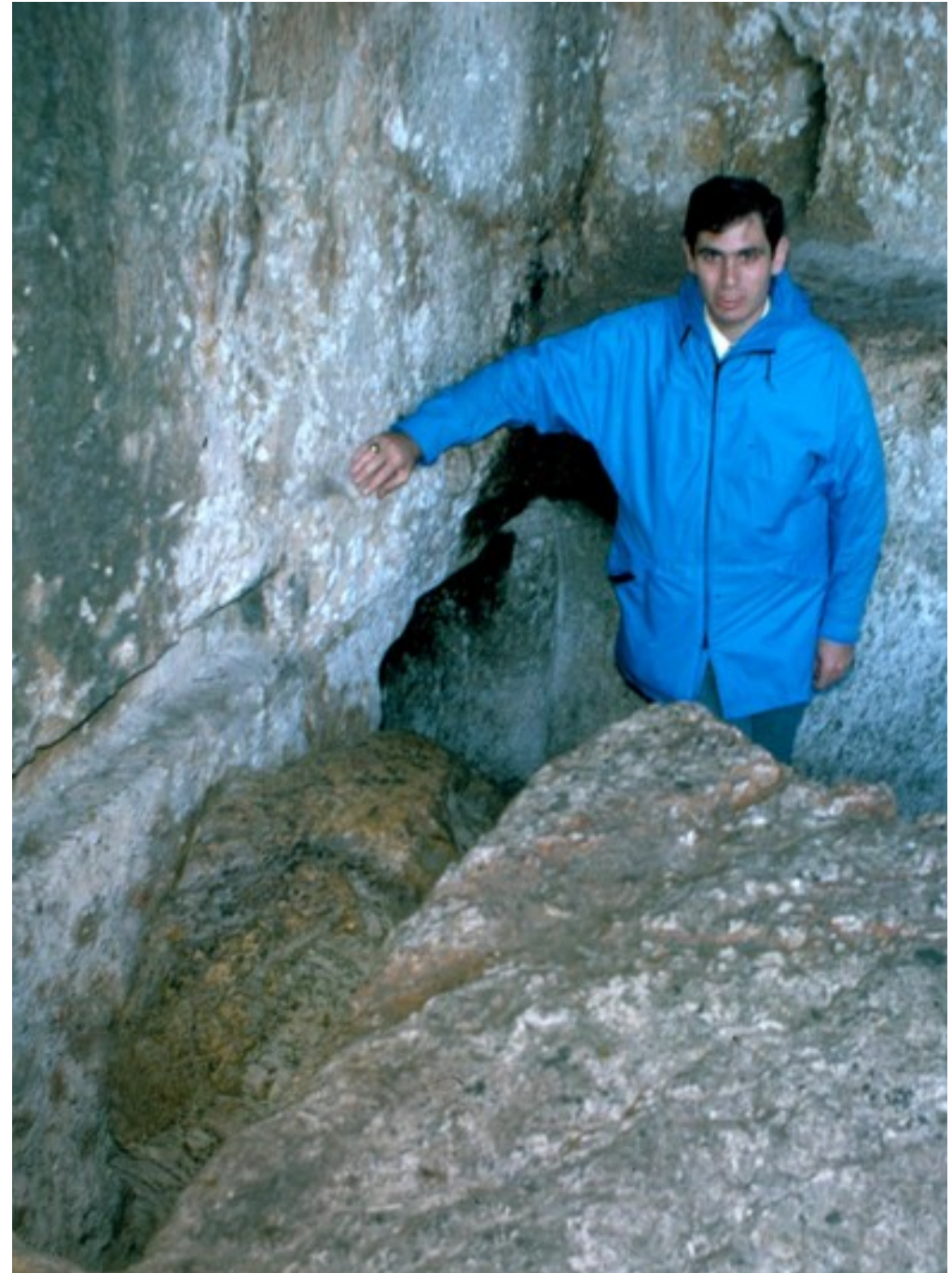
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Herod Family Tomb



Van and Anita Parunak, April 1975

Tomb of Queen Helena of Adiabene



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Helpful References

6-7, Peter's Experience

Luk 24:12 Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, **wondering in himself** at that which was come to pass.

Luk 24:33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, 34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and **hath appeared to Simon.**

1Co 15:3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that **he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:**

8, John's Belief

Matt 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

John 10:38 though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.

Parallels with John 1

1:35-42	20:11-18
35 Again the next day after John stood , and two of his disciples;	11 But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping:
36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked,	and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,
he saith , Behold the Lamb of God! 37 And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.	12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, ... 13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.
38 Then Jesus turned , and saw them following,	14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.
and saith unto them, What seek ye?	15 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

Parallels with John 1 (cont.)

1:35-42	20:11-18
They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where dwellest thou?	16 Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.
39 He saith unto them, Come and see. They came and saw where he dwelt , and abode with him that day: for it was about the tenth hour.	17 Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and <i>to</i> my God, and your God.
40 One of the two which heard John <i>speak</i> , and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him,	18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples
We have found the Messias, ...	that she had seen the Lord , and <i>that</i> he had spoken these things unto her. 25 We have seen the Lord

Further Parallels between 1-2 and 20-21

ch. 1-2	ch. 20-21
1:42 prediction about Peter	21:18-19 prediction about Peter
1:45-51 strengthening doubting Nathanael	20:25-29 strengthening doubting Thomas
2:1-11 multiplication of wine	21:9 multiplication of fishes
2:11 sign leads to belief	20:30-31 the 1 signs lead to belief

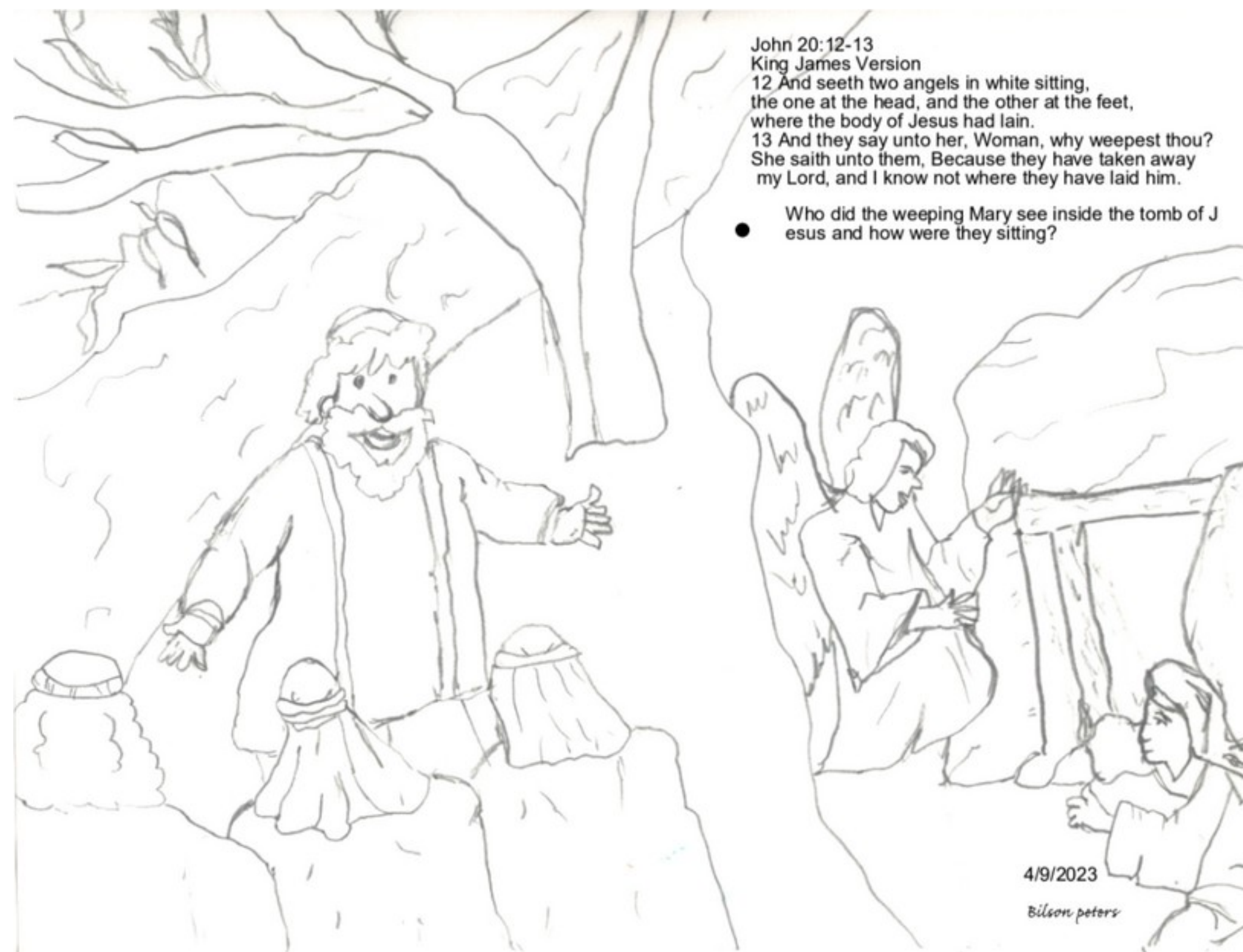
John 20:12-13

King James Version

12 And seeth two angels in white sitting,
the one at the head, and the other at the feet,
where the body of Jesus had lain.

13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou?
She saith unto them, Because they have taken away
my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

- Who did the weeping Mary see inside the tomb of Jesus and how were they sitting?



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