

# NOT BLIND FAITH

**Verifiable  
EVIDENCE**

**God exists and Jesus Rose from the Dead**

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Mt 12:39-40

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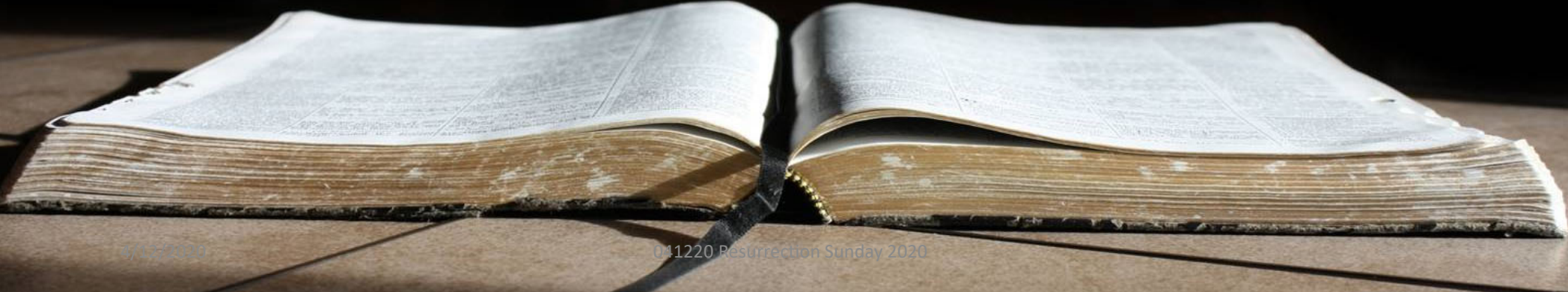


*“hupostasis” – something tangible, something  
observable and solid – scientific evidence*

**Heb 11:1**

***Now faith is the substance of things hoped  
for, the evidence of things not seen.***

*“elegchos” – legal testimony sufficient for conviction.*



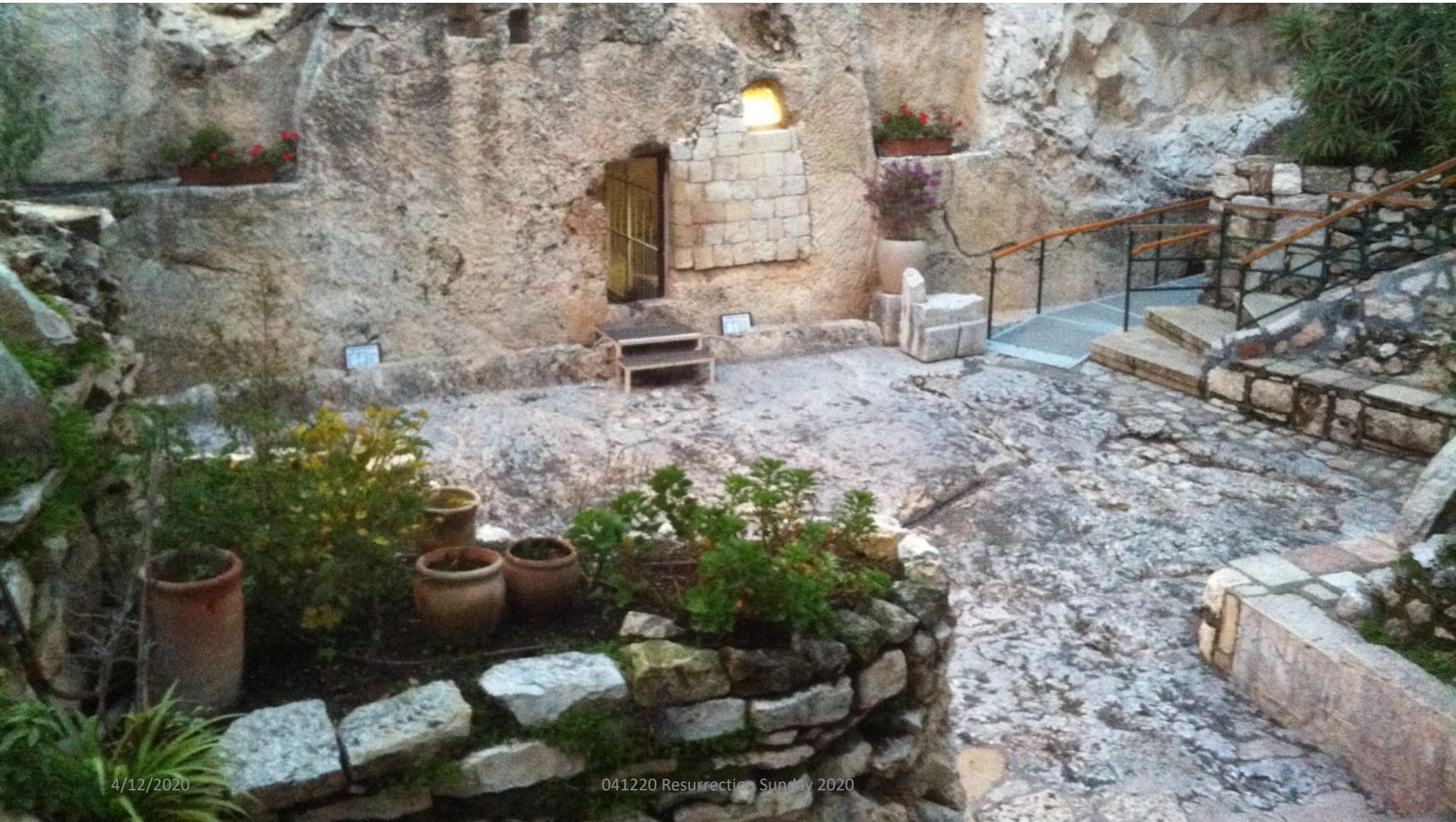




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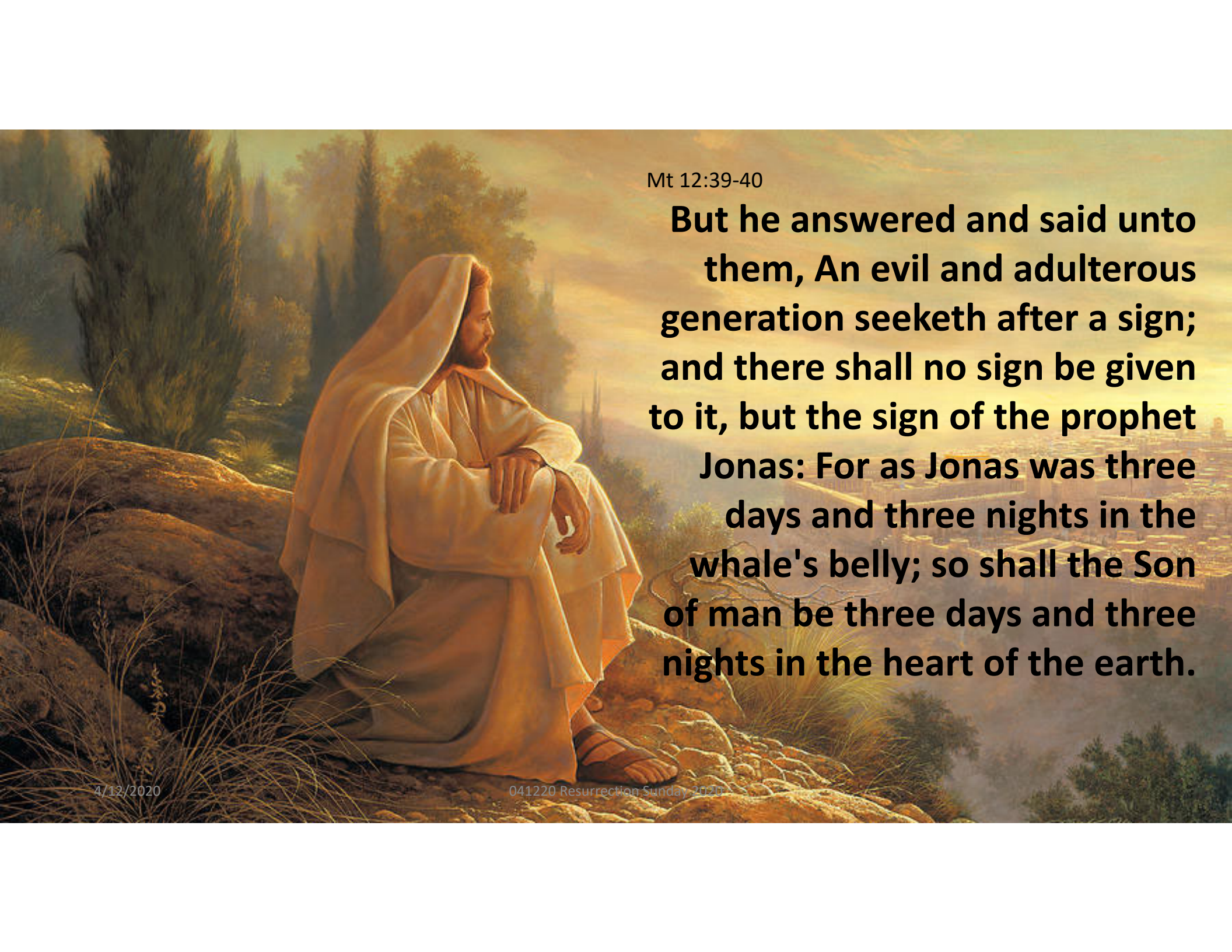




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A painting of Jesus sitting on a rocky hillside, looking out over a landscape with trees and a distant city. He is wearing a white robe and a white head covering. The scene is set in a hilly, wooded area with a city visible in the distance under a warm, golden light.

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Cornelius Tacitus (56 – c. 120 AD)  
Senator and Historian of the Roman Empire. The Annals and the Histories—examine the reigns of the Roman emperors Tiberius, Claudius, Nero, and those who reigned in the Year of the Four Emperors (69 AD).  
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*Nero fastened the guilt and inflicted the most exquisite tortures on a class hated for their abominations, called Christians by the populace. **Christus**, from whom the name had its origin, **suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of one of our procurators, Pontius Pilate, and a most mischievous superstition, thus checked for the moment, again broke out not only in Judaea, and the first source of the evil, but even in Rome,***



Dialogue of Justin Philosopher  
and Martyr with Trypho a Jew

Justin Martyr



The Perfect Library

Dialogue with Trypho  
Chapter 108

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“...yet you not only refused to repent after you learned that He arose from the dead, but, as I stated, you chose certain men and commissioned them to travel throughout the whole civilized world and announce: ‘A godless and lawless sect has been started by an impostor, **a certain Jesus of Galilee, whom we nailed to the cross, but whose body, after it was taken from the cross, was stolen at night from the tomb by His disciples**, who now try to deceive men by affirming that He has arisen from the dead and has ascended into Heaven.’”

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# Historicity of Jesus

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*Not to be confused with [Historical Jesus](#).*

The **historicity of Jesus** relates to whether Jesus of Nazareth actually lived in the history of the Christian movement find that the [historicity of Jesus](#) is effectively certain...very few scholars have argued for non-historicity and have not succeeded due to abundance of evidence to the contrary.

The question of the historicity of Jesus is part of the study of the [scholarly reconstructions](#) of the life of Jesus, based on the criteria of critical-historical investigation,<sup>[9][10][11]</sup> and methodologies for analyzing the reliability of [primary sources](#) and other historical evidence.<sup>[12]</sup>

Despite disagreements about the nature of the historical Jesus, the [myth theory](#) that Jesus never existed.<sup>[13][14][15][16][note 1]</sup>

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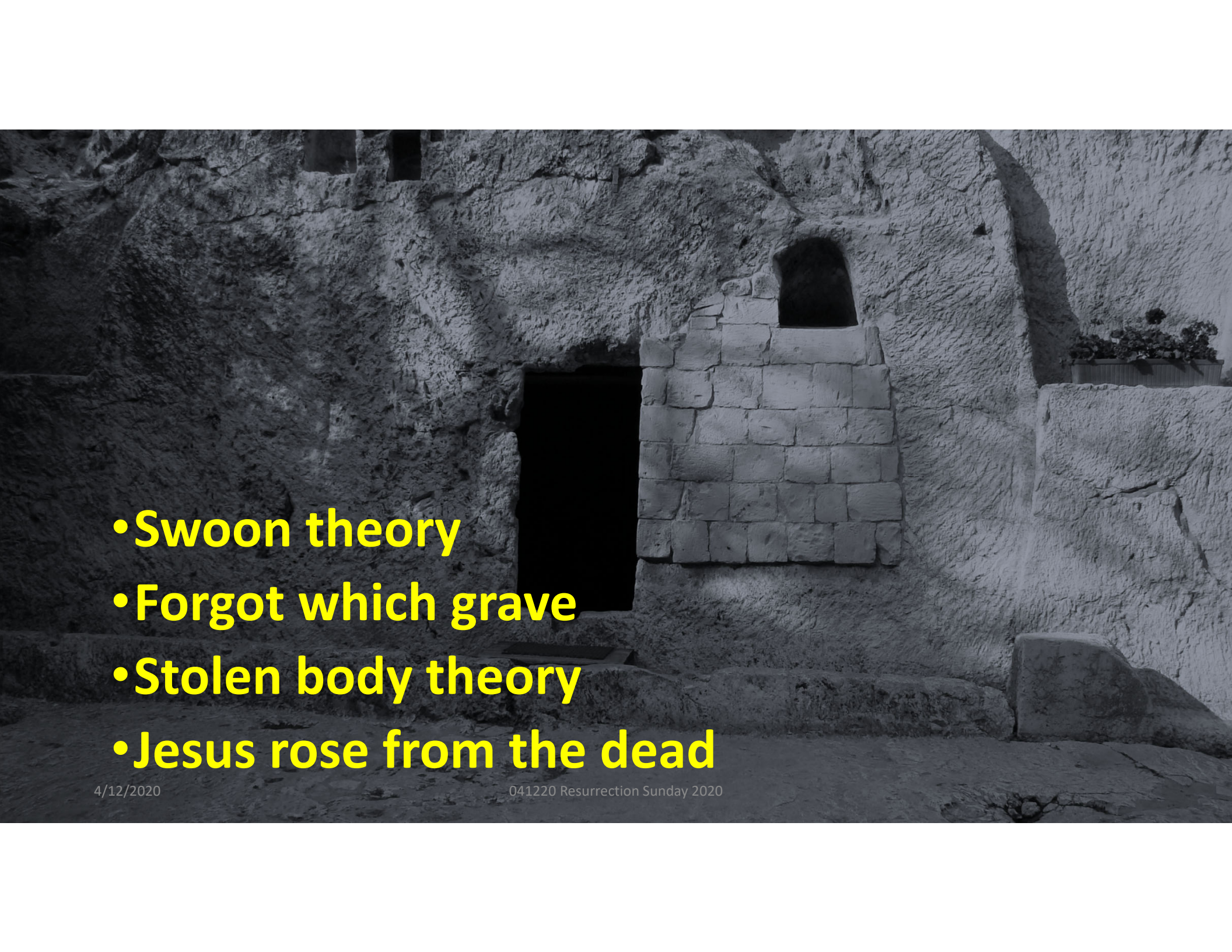
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**“The only two events subject to "almost universal assent" are that Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist and was crucified by order of the Roman Prefect Pontius Pilate.”**

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Lev 4:12

Even the whole bullock shall *he carry forth without the camp* unto a clean place, where the ashes are poured out, and burn him on the wood with fire: where the ashes are poured out shall he be burnt.



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Heb 13:11-12

For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. *Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.*



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John 19:17-19

17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called *the place of a skull*, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

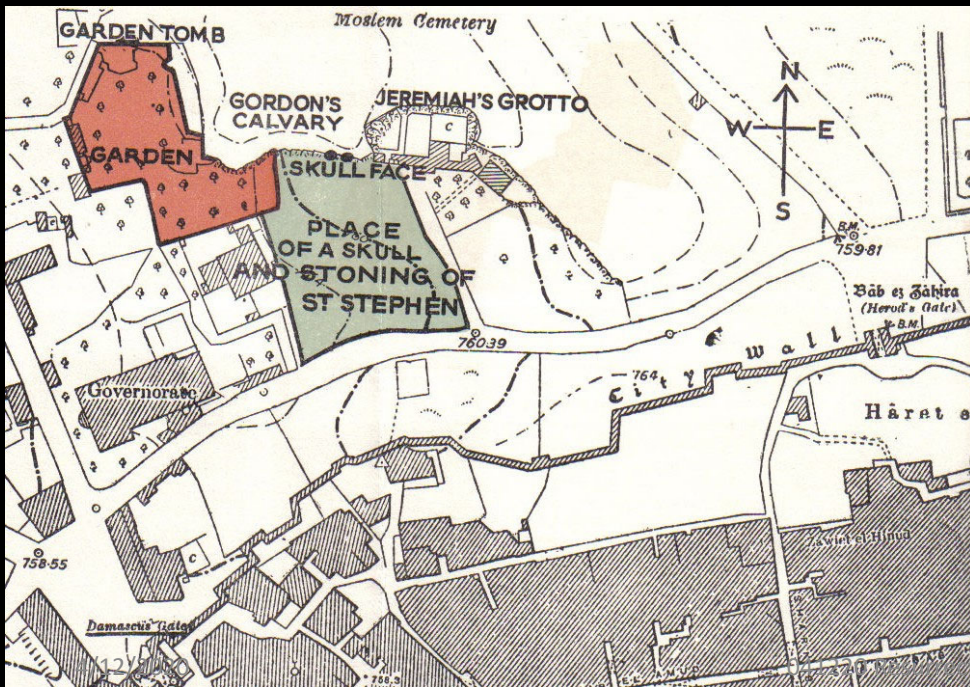
18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

19 And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.



John 19:41-42

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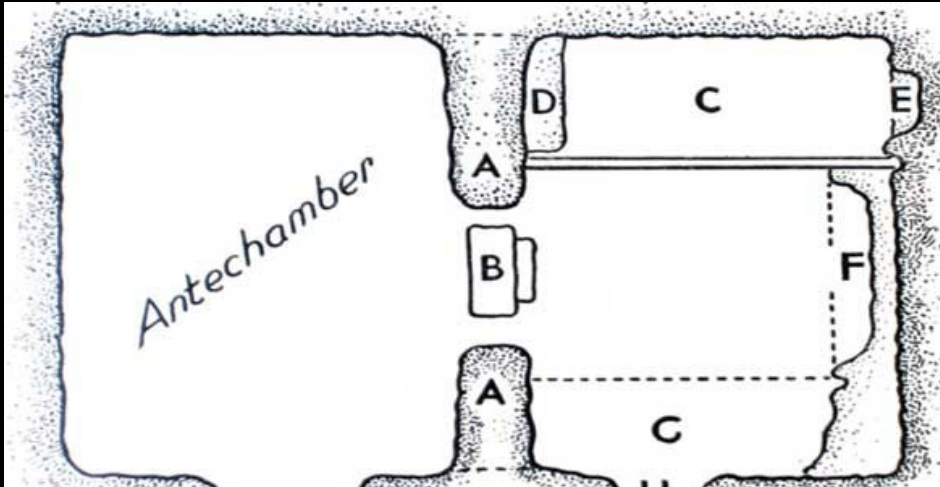




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Mark 16:5-6

*And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man **sitting on the right side**, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.*





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