

Mary Magdalene

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Witness to the Resurrection (John 20:1-18)

1. Do you enjoy reading biographies of people? What are the benefits of reading about someone's story?

2. Read the following passages, noticing Mary Magdalene's actions and thinking about her character:

a. Luke 8:1-3

b. John 19:25-27

c. Mark 16:1-3

3. How was Mary changed after her initial encounter with Jesus?

4. Give a brief description in your own words, of Mary Magdalene, based on these passages.

5. Think about your own life. How has your life changed since you encountered Jesus?

7. Read John 20:1-18.

8. In John 20:1-10, the disciples saw the empty tomb, and left. Mary saw the empty tomb and wanted to find Jesus body. Discuss possible reasons why their actions differed.

9. In John 20:11-18, Jesus chose to reveal himself alive from the dead to Mary in particular. What do we learn from this account about Jesus and about Mary?

10. As you have thought about Mary Magdalene, what is something you admire or a particular aspect of her response to Jesus that you can grow in?

11. Pray for each other.