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THE INVITATION

“Come and see”

Matthew 28:5-6

The angel said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

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THE TESTIMONY

1. An early testimony

1 Corinthians 15:3-8

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Matthew 28:16-17

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted

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2. Of all Jesus - followers since

1 Corinthians 15:9-10

For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

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2. The authorities stole the body

Acts 4:2

They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead.

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4. Jesus didn't actually die

Mark 15:43-44

Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. Pilate was surprised to hear that he was already dead. Summoning the centurion, he asked him if Jesus had already died.

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4. Jesus didn't actually die

John 19:32-33

The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus, and then those of the other. But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs.

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4. Jesus didn't actually die

John 19:34

Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water.

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5. Appearances were hallucinations

1 Corinthians 15:5-7

... and that he appeared to Cephas and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles,

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THE TRUTH

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is a factual reality

Romans 10:9

If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

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