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Luke 24:4-5 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

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**Mashiach: Messiah – The anointed
one “the smeared one**

Mark 1:3-4 New International Version

**“A voice of one calling in the wilderness,
‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight
paths for him.’” [a] 4 And so John the Baptist
appeared in the wilderness, preaching a
baptism of repentance for the forgiveness
of sins.**

Mark 1:14-16

Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;[a] repent and believe in the gospel.”

Mark 1:32-34

They brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. 33 And the whole city was gathered together at the door. 34 And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

Mark 3:13-15 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

He went up the mountain and called to him those whom he wanted, and they came to him. 14 And he appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles, [a] to be with him, and to be sent out to proclaim the message, 15 and to have authority to cast out demons.

Mark 3:21 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.”

John 7:5 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

For not even his brothers believed in him.

John 11:41-45 NIV

41 So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me.

42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.” **43** When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” **44** The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.” **45** Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

John 11:53-54 New International Version

So from that day on they plotted to take his life. 54 Therefore Jesus no longer moved about publicly among the people of Judea. Instead he withdrew to a region near the wilderness, to a village called Ephraim, where he stayed with his disciples.

John 12:12-13 New International Version

12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. **13** They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna! [a]” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” [b] “Blessed is the king of Israel!”

John 18:1-5 New International Version

When he had finished praying, Jesus left with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was a garden, and he and his disciples went into it. 2 Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples.

3 So Judas came to the garden, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and the Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons. 4 Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, “Who is it you want?” 5 “Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “I am he,” Jesus said. (And Judas the traitor was standing there with them.)

John 18:35-38 NIV

“Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?” 36 Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

37 “You are a king, then!” said Pilate. Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.” 38 “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews...

John 18:39-40 NIV

But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover.

**Do you want me to release
‘the king of the Jews’?”**

**40 They shouted back, “No, not him!
Give us Barabbas!”**

John 19:1-3 NIV

**Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. 2
The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns
and put it on his head. They clothed him in a
purple robe 3 and went up to him again and
again, saying, “Hail, king of the Jews!”
And they slapped him in the face.**

John 19:6 NIV

As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!”

John 19:16-18 NIV

Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. 17 Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). 18 There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

John 19:25b-27 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

...Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister,... . 26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." 27 Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

John 19:28-30 NIV

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” 29 A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. 30 When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Luke 23:50-56 New International Version

50 Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man,
51 who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God. **52** Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body.

53 Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid.

54 It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin. 55 The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it.

56 Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.

Luke 24:1-4 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body.[a] 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.

Luke 24:5 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The women[a] were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men[b] said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.

John 14:6 NIV

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Luke 24:8-10 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

Luke 8:1-3 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, 2 as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, 3 and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them[a] out of their resources.

Luke 24:11 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

**But these words seemed to them an idle tale,
and they did not believe them.**

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Female Roman Identity

“The women are best suited to the indoor life.”

Philo

“The female, however finds her identity through maintaining her proper role, characterized by passivity, submission and silence.

Jewish book of prayer and priestly blessing

Every day, a person should recite: Blessed are You, God, our Lord, King of the universe, who has not made me a non-Jew. who has not made me a servant, who has not made me a woman.

The Laws of Prayer and the Priestly Blessing

Chapter 7 pt 6

Acts 1:13-14 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of[a] James. 14 All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

James 1:1 New Living Translation (NLT)

**This letter is from James, a slave of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ. I am writing to the “twelve tribes”—Jewish believers scattered abroad.
Greetings!**

Jude 1 New Living Translation (NLT)

This letter is from Jude, a slave of Jesus Christ and a brother of James. I am writing to all who have been called by God the Father, who loves you and keeps you safe in the care of Jesus Christ.[a]

Romans 10:9 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

Philippians 2:6-11 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness And being found in human form,

8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

“The empty-tomb account has often been the touchstone of debate over the validity of the Christian gospel... (However) rationalist interpretations (of the resurrection) were rejected from the very beginning: Jesus was really dead—he did not “swoon”; the women saw where he was laid—they did not go to the wrong tomb; in Matthew, a guard was posted at the tomb—no one moved the body; and in Luke and John some of the disciples confirmed the women’s report.”

Culpepper, R. A. (1994–2004). The Gospel of Luke

“What, then, are the tangible evidences of resurrection in our present experience? Do they consist in the physical remains of the tomb, or in Jesus’ continuing presence in the lives of those who hope for his kingdom? Typically, it is not the persuasive power of the empty tomb but a personal encounter with the risen Lord that leads to faith.”

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**There are at least (seven) points of general agreement
(Plummer 1896: 546) Bock, D. L. (1996). Luke: 9:51–24:53**

- 1. The resurrection occurs to disciples who do not expect it.**
- 2. Reports of the resurrection are doubted.**
- 3. The women's visit is the first step in disclosure.**
- 4. The rolled-away stone is the first physical clue.**
- 5. Angels appear.**
- 6. Jesus appears to a variety of people, both individually and (publicly)**
- 7. The result is an unshakable conviction in Jesus' resurrection.**

1 Corinthians 15:12-15 The Message (MSG)

12-15 Now, let me (share) something profound yet troubling... If there's no resurrection, there's no living Christ. And face it—if there's no resurrection for Christ, everything we've told you is smoke and mirrors, and everything you've staked your life on is smoke and mirrors. Not only that, but we would be guilty of telling a string of barefaced lies about God... sheer fabrications, if there's no resurrection.

1 Corinthians 15:16-20 The Message (MSG)

If corpses can't be raised, then Christ wasn't, because he was indeed dead. And if Christ weren't raised, then all you're doing is wandering about in the dark, as lost as ever... If all we get out of Christ is a little inspiration for a few short years, we're a pretty (pathetic) lot. But the truth is that Christ has been raised up, the first in a long legacy of those who are going to leave the cemeteries.

“Without resurrection, Christianity is just another human approach to reach God; it is emptied of transforming power and hope; it is a mere shell, not worth the energy one devotes to it. Without a resurrected Jesus, Christianity has nothing special to offer the world, for a dead Savior is no Savior at all.”
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“The disciples do not view resurrection as a dramatic symbol of hope or an expression of a wish; they see it as core history that changed their view of what happened at the cross.”

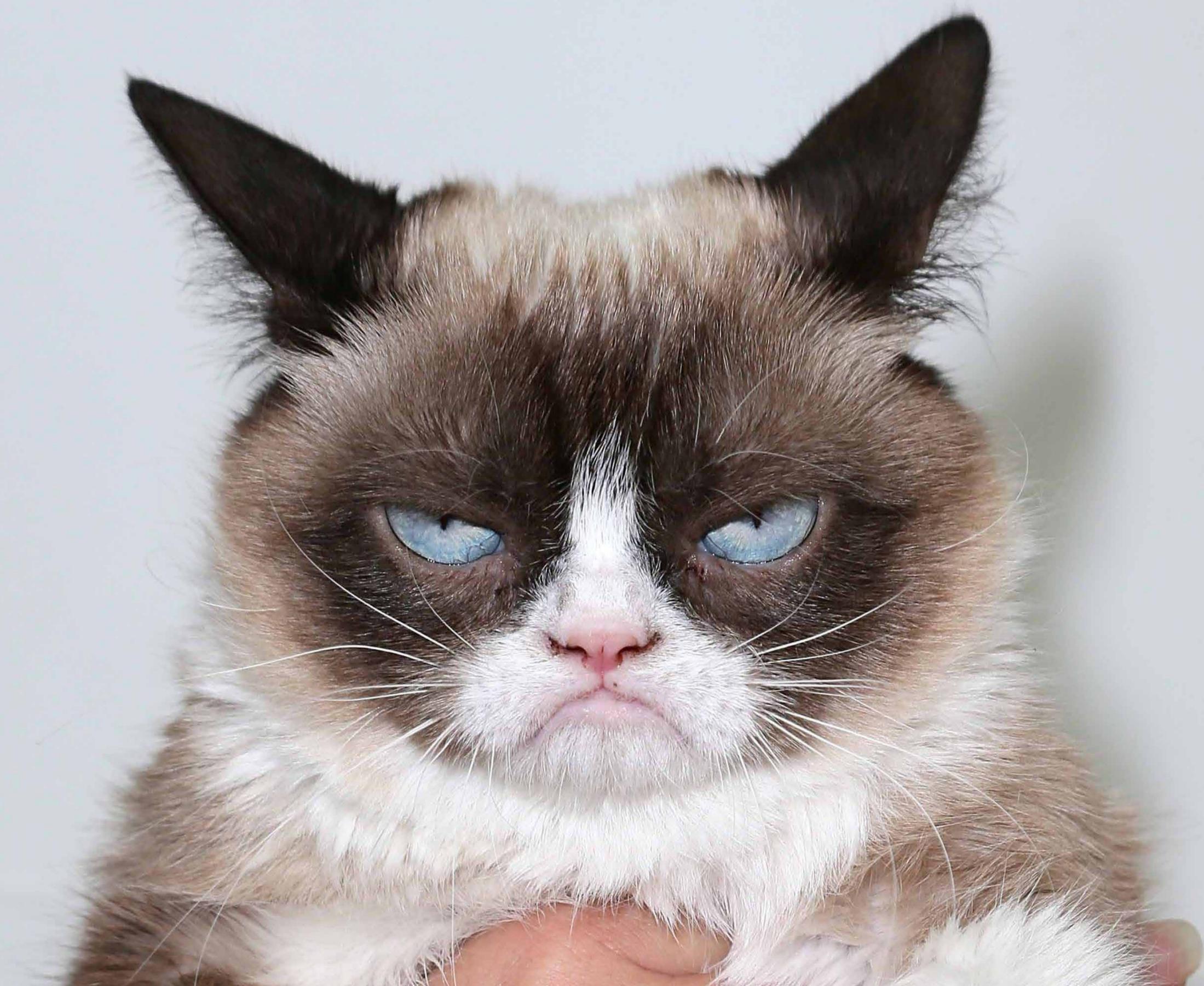
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Isaiah 61:1-4 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—

to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.







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