

tomb where the body of Jesus was laid away after he died on the cross, and then place three marks on the road leading to it, you will then remember that the one who was first at the tomb was Mary Magdalene. These other two marks on the roadway are Peter and John, who came running, when she had gone and told them the wonderful news. You all remember what it was. Whom did Mary see when she looked into the tomb? Whom did she see when she turned away?

Lesson—Now we see the ten disciples talking in the Upper Room where Jesus had met with them before His death. Listen! what wonderful news are they talking about? "Jesus is not in the tomb; where can He be?" they are saying one to another. The doors are shut for fear of the Jews, who hated the disciples as they had hated Jesus.

The Risen Jesus—Suddenly Jesus Himself appears in their midst, saying, "Peace be unto you". No door had opened, yet there He stood. They were frightened, but Jesus wanted them to know that it was really Himself. He showed them His hands which had been nailed to the cross, and His side which the spear had pierced. "Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord." Jesus talked with them, and told them they must go out into the world to tell people of

Him and help them to do right. He gave them the Holy Spirit to be with them to help them in their preaching. We'll draw a HAND raised to bless, and we'll remember that those hands which had been nailed to the cross, are now raised to bless. Then Jesus went away again, as silently as He had come. Here is Thomas come back (add a stroke to the group). They all cluster around Thomas, eager to tell of the risen Saviour who had just been in the room. Thomas will not believe (v. 25).

The next Sunday evening we see the Eleven in the same room talking together. Suddenly Jesus again appears. He speaks especially to Thomas (v. 27), and Thomas knew that it was Jesus and worshiped at His feet, with the glad cry, "My Lord and my God!"

Repeat (Hymn 167, Book of Praise)—

"Jesus I do trust Thee,
Trust without a doubt;
Whosoever cometh
Thou wilt not cast out."

Golden Text—Repeat Golden Text.

By Faith—Jesus told Thomas that great blessing will be upon all who have not seen Jesus, yet believe in Him, and love Him and pray to Him and work for Him. Let each of us be one of those blessed ones.

Something to Think About—Jesus is my Lord.

FROM THE PLATFORM

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THE DISCIPLES SENT EQUIPPED

After printing on the blackboard, THE DISCIPLES SENT, begin questioning abruptly, somewhat as follows: Who sent the disciples? Who had sent Jesus? How had Jesus put away sin? To whom were the disciples to make this known? What had they the right to say to all who accepted this message? What about the sins of those who would not accept it? Now Print, THE DISCIPLES EQUIPPED. Ask what it was that Jesus gave to His disciples? The Holy Ghost. Point out that it was in the power of the Holy Spirit that the disciples were to work and witness for Jesus. Make the point emphatic, that Jesus offers to us, also, the Holy Spirit. Bring out what is required of us, that we may receive Him. (See Application on v. 22.) Remind the scholars, that, not for great tasks alone, but for daily duty, as well, we need the Holy Spirit. And with Him to help us, we can be strong and brave and helpful to others.