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"He is risen; He is not here"—Mark xvi. 6.

WERE it possible for us to go back in imagination to Jerusalem and witness the events which took place during the passion week we would be able to understand better and prize more truly the inspired records of the gospel. It seems impossible for us to grasp at so great a distance, and after the lapse of so many centuries, the real bearing of the all-absorbing events which transpired during those three or four days that have never been and shall never be forgotten neither in earth nor heaven. A man, born of woman, had appeared. Circumstances peculiar, nay miraculous, had attended his entrance into the world. He had given himself as the promised Messiah, as the Great Deliverer, as the Prophet of Prophets, as the Redeemer and Saviour. He had taught men, taught as no man had ever taught. He had wrought miracles and performed marvels which had silenced and astonished even his bitterest foes. Many had believed in him, and a few disciples, chosen and set apart by him, had accepted fully his doctrine, and had pledged themselves to teach it. That man, called Jesus, an object of positive hatred to the Jews, was worshipped by his faithful few, and they were prepared to die for him. He tells them of his death, but