A CHRONOLOGY OF THE RESURRECTION

- 1. At the beginning of the dawn of the first day of the week, the women buy more spices, and go toward the tomb. (Mt. 28:1; Mk. 16:1; Lk. 24:1; Jn. 20:1)
- 2. There is an earthquake and an angel opens the tomb, terrifying the guards. (Mt. 24:2-4)
- 3. The women arrive and find the tomb open. (Mt. 16:2-4; Lk. 24:2)
- 4. Mary Magdalene runs back to report to the apostles. (Lk. 24:10-11; Jn. 20:2)
- 5. The other women enter the tomb, hear the angelic testimony, and depart to tell the others. (Mt. 28:5-8; Mk. 16:5-8; Lk. 24:3-11)
- 6. Peter and John run to confirm the report. (Lk. 24:12; Jn. 20:3-10).
- 7. Mary Magdalene returns to the tomb, meets the Lord, and reports to the others. (Mk. 16:9-11; Lk. 24:10-11; Jn. 20:11-18) [The first appearance]
- 8. The other women meet Christ on the road back to the city. (Mt. 28:9-10) [The second appearance]

A CHRONOLOGY OF THE CRUCIFIXION

Looking at the parallel accounts in all four Gospels, it would appear the order of events looked something like this. (The "Seven Sayings" are in **bold** font.) The day was thought to start at 6 am.

CRUCIFIXION STARTS AT THIRD HOUR

Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him. (Mark 15:25 NKJ)

The first three words are given:

"Father forgive them" Lk. 23:34

"Today you will be with me in Paradise" Lk. 23:23

"Mother, here is your son" Jn. 19:26

FROM SIXTH TO NINTH HOUR, DARKNESS

Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. (Mark 15:33 NKJ)

FROM THE NINTH HOUR

(Matthew 27:46 NKJ) And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

"Why have you forsaken Me?" Mt. 27:46

"I thirst" Jn. 19:28

Giving of wine Jn. 19:29

"It is finished" Jn. 19:30

"Into Thy hands I give My Spirit" Lk. 23:46a

Breathed His last Mt. 27:50; Lk. 23:46b

Rending of the veil Mt. 27:51; Mk. 15:38

Earthquake Mt. 27:51

Emptied tombs Mt. 27:52-53

Centurion Testimony Mt. 27:54; Mk. 15:39; Lk. 23:47