

# ***“The Lie Proving the Resurrection”***

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*Mt. 28:11-15*

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## INTRODUCTION

- the hope of the resurrection  
Job 19:25-27; Ps. 49:15; Acts 24:15
- the certainty of the resurrection  
Dan. 12:2; Rev. 20:4-6; 1 Cor. 15:20-22

“As a lawyer I have made a prolonged study of the evidence for the events of the first Easter Day. To me the evidence is conclusive, and over and over again in the High Court I have secured the verdict on evidence not nearly so compelling. Inference follows on evidence, and a truthful witness is always artless and disdains effect. The Gospel evidence for the resurrection is of this class, and as a lawyer I accept it unreservedly as the testimony of truthful men to facts they were able to substantiate.”

– Sir Edward Clark

- attempts to explain away the resurrection
  - a. the swoon theory
  - b. the no-burial theory
  - c. the hallucination theory
  - d. the telepathy theory
  - e. the séance theory
  - f. the mistaken identity theory
  - g. the theft theory

## *1. The Panic* (28:11)

## *2. The Plan* (28:12-14)

- a. bribe the soldiers
- b. spread a lie about the body
- c. protect the soldiers from Pilate

## *3. The Payoff* (28:15)

## APPLICATION

Jn. 3:36