

ARAMAIC BIBLE COMPANION LESSONS 61-66

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Lesson 61 Matthew 28.1-7 cf v7 Jesus teaches angels and women as well as apostles are part of God's plan of good news

Introduction

Late on the Sabbath at first ray of light on the first after Sabbath (the Jews did not use pagan day names like Sun-day etc.) Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to take a good look as "spectators" at the tomb. They did not presume to be in any way interactive. And **behold** a great earthquake happened for an angel of the LORD came down from heaven. Coming forward he rolled the stone in cyclic fashion from the door and sat up upon it. His appearance was as lightning, and his garments were white as snow.

The guards

From fear of him the guards had been shaking to and fro like branches in the wind and they became as corpses.

The angel's message

The angel said to the women. "You must not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here. For He has risen as He said He would. Come see the place where the LORD lay and quickly march to tell his disciples that He is risen from the dead."



From paper to practice.

- 1 The ministry of angels is critical at certain times.
- 2 The angels respect the crucifixion-they were aware of it all -cf Jesus, "I could have called a legion of angels"
- 3 Paul speaks of our lives being an academy or spectacle to angels. 1 Corinthians 4.9
- 4 Am I living circumspect and outreaching so as to carry joy and pleasure to the angels of God?