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“Don’t Be Fooled”

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Luke 24:11 - The story sounded like *nonsense* to them, so they *didn't believe* it.

John 20:6-8 - Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and *believed*.

1. Cleopas was fooled by the Resurrection.

Luke 24:26-27 - "Wasn't it clearly predicted that the Messiah would have to suffer all these things before entering His glory?" And beginning with *Moses* ... He explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself.

Genesis 22:1 - God *tested* Abraham...

Genesis 22:1-2 - God tested Abraham... "Take your son, *your only son* Isaac, *whom you love*, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a sacrifice."

Genesis 22:11-14 - "Abraham... don't lay your hand on the boy..." Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it... So Abraham called that place The LORD *Will* Provide. And to this day it's said, "On the mountain of the LORD it *will* be provided."

Luke 24:30-31 - As they sat down to eat, He took the bread and blessed it. Then He broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and He disappeared from their sight.

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2. Thomas was fooled by the Resurrection.

John 20:29 - Then Jesus said to Thomas, "Because you've seen Me, you've believed; blessed are those who haven't seen and yet believed."

John 20:19 - On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being *locked* where the disciples were for *fear*...

Romans 8:11 - The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, He will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

Phil. 4:13 - I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

3. Satan was fooled by the Resurrection.

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1 Corinthians 2:8 - If the rulers of this world had understood, they wouldn't have crucified the Lord of glory.

Luke 22:3-4 - Then Satan entered into Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve disciples. And he went to the chief priests and the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus.

Romans 6:23 - The wages of sin is death, but the *gift* of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.