

# He Still Moves Stones

Text: Luke 24:1-12

**Introduction:** There were times in Israel's history when God would command His people to build a pile of stones for a specific purpose (Joshua 4:1-24; 24:10-34; Genesis 45:45-53). Today, we celebrate the moving of a large stone in front of an ancient tomb near Jerusalem. The religious leaders of Jesus' day asked that a Roman guard be placed at the tomb to prevent Jesus' disciples from stealing his body and claiming he rose from the dead (Matthew 27:62-65). Billy Graham once told *Time* magazine that if he were an enemy of Christianity, he would focus all his attention on disproving the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. There were many stones Jesus moved that first Easter, including:

## **I. The Stone of \_\_\_\_\_ vss.1-3**

John 19:31-37

John 11:38-44; 5:24

## **II. The Stone of \_\_\_\_\_ vss.4-8**

In a 2007 Gallup poll, American's listed their top three fears as:

1. A Terrorist attack
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Death

Hebrews 9:27

II Corinthians 5:21; II Timothy 1:9&10; Hebrews 2:14&15

I Corinthians 15:20-23; I Thessalonians 4:13-18

John 20:1-10

I John 3:2; Philippians 3:21; I Corinthians 15:35-54

I Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:21

## **III. The Stone of \_\_\_\_\_ vss.9-12**

I Corinthians 1:18-31; 2:14&15

**Conclusion:** There are thrill seekers in New Zealand who love to drive down a mountain with the car engine off while using no brakes. They call it 'angel gear.' The world is crying out for the church of Jesus Christ to put it in 'angel gear' and spread the Good News that Jesus is still moving stones today.