QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when someone tried to deceive you. How did you respond when you discovered the deception?

2. Why do people try to explain away the resurrection?

3. Read the following verses and note what the Bible says about the deception:

   a) Psalm 24:3-5
   b) Proverbs 10:9
   c) Proverbs 11:3
   d) Proverbs 12:22
   e) Proverbs 24:28
   f) Colossians 3:9
   g) James 1:26

4. Why did the Roman guards go to the chief priests first to report what had happened?

5. What one practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your choice with someone.*)
   - ☐ I am going to ask God to search my heart for any area where I have deceived myself or others and repent of it.
   - ☐ I am going to correct any misrepresentations I have made to others and ask for their forgiveness.
   - ☐ I am going to memorize Proverbs 10:9.

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The Resurrection Cover-Up

I. Introduction

A. Missing Body!

B. The Problem

(See Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16:1; Luke 24:10; Matthew 28:3; Acts 12:19; Acts 16:27-28)

C. Explaining Away the Resurrection

(See Mark 15:47; Deuteronomy 19:15; Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:11; Luke 24:11; I Corinthians 15:3-8; Numbers 23:19; Luke 24:16; John 20:19; Luke 24:31)

II. The Resurrection of Jesus

A. The Problem

(See Matthew 28:11; Matthew 27:62-66)

B. The Plan

(See Matthew 28:12; Matthew 27:42; Luke 16:26; Romans 10:9-10)

B. The Payment

(See Matthew 28:12; Matthew 26:15)

C. The Plot

(See Matthew 28:13; Acts 12:19)

D. The Promise

(See Matthew 28:14; John 19:12; James 4:17)

E. The Pretense

(See Matthew 28:15)

III. Conclusion

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

Passage of Study

Matthew 28:11-15

11 Now while they were on their way, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all that had happened. **12** And when they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, **13** and said, "You are to say, 'His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep.' **14** And if this should come to the governor's ears, we will win him over and keep you out of trouble." **15** And they took the money and did as they had been instructed; and this story was widely spread among the Jews *and is* to this day.

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