

Embrace
Holy
Living

RE- FLECTING GOD

04/14/12 - He Is Not Here!

RG AUDIO 041412Matthew 28:1-10

Easter is my favorite day of the year. Waking up on Easter for me is more exciting than Christmas morning. Even though I know just what the Gift is, I can't wait to start celebrating. I'm moved singing "Up from the grave He arose." I love hearing the words "He is not here! He has risen!" Being reminded of that truth once again fills me with joy.

The angel described Jesus as the Crucified One. He wanted the women to know that Jesus' death was a fact. There was no magic trick or pretense about his death. The crucifixion happened. And now? *Jesus is alive!* The proof was an empty tomb. There was more. Jesus appeared, in the flesh, to the women. He was dead and now he is risen.

Jesus is still alive! His death was real and was the atonement for our sin. His resurrection is also a fact. It makes all the difference in the world. We are proof to the world that Jesus is alive.