

INTRODUCTION

exousia – the ability to perform an action – derived from the right/authority of power

What is the significance of the “open tomb”?

INSTRUCTION – The open tomb revealed the power & authority of Christ! ...**A. ... IN THE T_____AL REALM****1. The Demonstration of Power (cf. 28: 1-2)****2. The Demonstration of Authority (cf. 27: 62 – 28: 2)**

But even more importantly ...

B. ... IN THE S_____AL REALM**1. His Authority and Power Over Death (cf. I Corinthians 15: 20-24, 50-57)**

The power of His resurrection also bore out ...

2. His Authority and Power Over Sin (cf. I Corinthians 15: 17; Romans 6: 4-11)**INTROSPECTION – Have I applied the authority & power of Christ to my life?**

- * *Jesus once asked Martha, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”*
- * *Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life ... He frees us from the power of sin & the grave ... they no longer have dominion over you ... do you believe this?*
- * *The lives of those believers who witnessed Christ’s death and resurrection were changed ...*
- * *Jesus said more blessed are those who have not seen ... and yet believe!* **BE YE TRANSFORMED !!!**