

**(NEW TESTAMENT)**

## **RESSURECTION OF JESUS**

**Mary Magdalene and Jesus' devout followers, stood bewildered at the foot of the cross**

**Having witnessed their Savior's crucifixion, felt excruciating pain and loss**

**Although Jesus had repeatedly told them, He would be raised again to life**

**Not understanding confused and alone, His death had cut their hearts like a knife.**

**After removal from the cross, following at a distance, to see where Jesus would be buried**

**They would grieve and pay homage to His disfigured body, with spices to later be carried**

**Mary Magdalene, who deeply loved her Lord, had to obey the strict Sabbath rule**

**To her, the dictated wait from Friday to Sunday, seemed long and especially cruel.**

**Thus, on Sunday morning, just before dawn, with the world feeling cold and dark**

**The women numbly walked, with sad labored steps, down a path that felt empty and stark**

**Finding the stone rolled away, feeling shocked and upset, for help the women did run**

**Seeing her beloved Lord gone, his grave now empty, Mary's sobbing and tears had begun.**

**When suddenly Jesus asked why she was weeping, she knew her Lord did live**

**Everything He had promised, to all who believed, His resurrected body did give**

**"Where O death is your victory? Where O death is your sting?"**

**The resurrection power of Jesus Christ, our freedom from death did bring.**



**("The Resurrection" painted by Doris Cox)**

**Luke 24: 6**

**He is not here; He has risen!**