

Yr 2 Pascha Parents' Cheat Sheet

Myrrh Bearing Women

1. What did Joseph of Arimathea ask Pilate for? Why?

He asked to take Jesus' body from the cross. This was a bold thing for him to do. Joseph was a member of the Sanhedrin (Jewish court/council). By asking for Jesus' body, he was revealing that he was a follower of Jesus in front of the others who were on council. He was an important man in the city but by his actions he was showing that he saw Jesus as more important than him. He honoured Jesus and showed how much he loved him by admitting that he was his follower, and by wrapping his body in a new cloth and giving him his own tomb.

2. What were the women going to do early in the morning?

They went to put spices and oils on Jesus' body - Myrrh. This was a ritual that people did in those days. This was something that they were going to do because they loved Jesus even after he died. Just like Joseph of Arimathea, they wanted to honour him.

3. How did the women feel when the angel told them that Jesus had risen? How would you feel if something like that happened to you?

They were scared and amazed. We are like those women. This news about Jesus rising from the dead is so amazing that sometimes it can feel a bit scary! They were scared at first. But when they saw Jesus later they weren't scared and they knew how wonderful and loving that He was because of what he did for them. And we know that too! Take this opportunity to share your thoughts about how it might feel to be the women. This exercise will bring the profoundness of the resurrection of Christ into our minds and hearts.