Luke 8:1-2 (NIV)

After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, ² and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases:

Luke 8:2-3 (NIV) ...Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; ³ Joanna the wife of Cuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.

Matthew 28:5-7 (NIV) The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples...

John 20:15-18 (NIV) Woman, he said, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for? Thinking he was the gardener, she said, Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him. ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).

Unexpected RESURRECTION

Matthew 28:1-10

Resurrection Quiz

- 1- Who believed the Resurrection without seeing Jesus first?
- 2- Who refused to believe until he saw and touched Jesus?
- 3- What was the largest group of people Jesus appeared to?
- 4- Who was the first person to see the Resurrected Jesus?

Jesus did not select men exclusively as His followers. A central core of women also accompanied Him. ныт

Jesus VALUED Women as His Followers

 ¹...Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another...
The Twelve were with Him,
² and also some women... In Jewish culture Rabbis refused to teach women because they were generally considered to be inferior. By allowing these women to travel with Him, Jesus was showing that ALL people are equal under God. LAB

Galatians 3:26-28 (NLT) For you are **ALL** children of God through **FAITH** in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ And **ALL** who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on the character of Christ, like putting on new clothes. ²⁸ There is **NO LONGER** Jew or Gentile, slave or free, MALE and FEMALE. For you are ALL ONE IN Christ Jesus.

Jesus DELIVERED Mary from seven Demons

²...women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases:
Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out

These Women SUPPORTED Jesus Financially

³...These women were helping to SUPPORT them out of their own means. It was NOT unusual in that day for Jewish women to use their wealth to support the Rabbis. These women SUPPORTED Jesus' ministry with their OWN money. Wiersbe Mary Demonstrated her LOVE for the LORD Jesus one Last Time

Luke 24:1 (NIV) On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, **the women** took **the spices they had PREPARED** and went to the tomb. Spices were poured over a dead body to counteract the odor of decay and as a symbolic EXPRESSION of love and Devotion. вкс

TIME LINE...

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- 1- An angel ROLLED away the stone from the tomb
- 2- Women came to the tomb it was **EMPTY**
- 3- Mary Magdalene ran back to tell Peter and John
- 4- Other women see two Angels
- 5- Peter and John come and see the EMPTY tomb
- 6- Mary Magdalene **RETURNS** to the Tomb-

Jesus APPEARED to...

- 1- Mary Magdalene at the tomb ALONE
- 2- To the other Women WHILE they were heading home
- 3- Peter by himself
- 4- The two people on the road to Emmaus
- 5- Jesus appeared to 10 apostles

Mary's Love and Devotion to Jesus was Incredible

- she was LAST one at the CROSS
- she was the LAST one at the TOMB
- she with the other women were FIRST at the empty TOMB
- she was the FIRST person to SEE Jesus after His Resurrection-

1 Timothy 1:15 (NIV) Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to SAVE sinners – of whom I am the worst.