



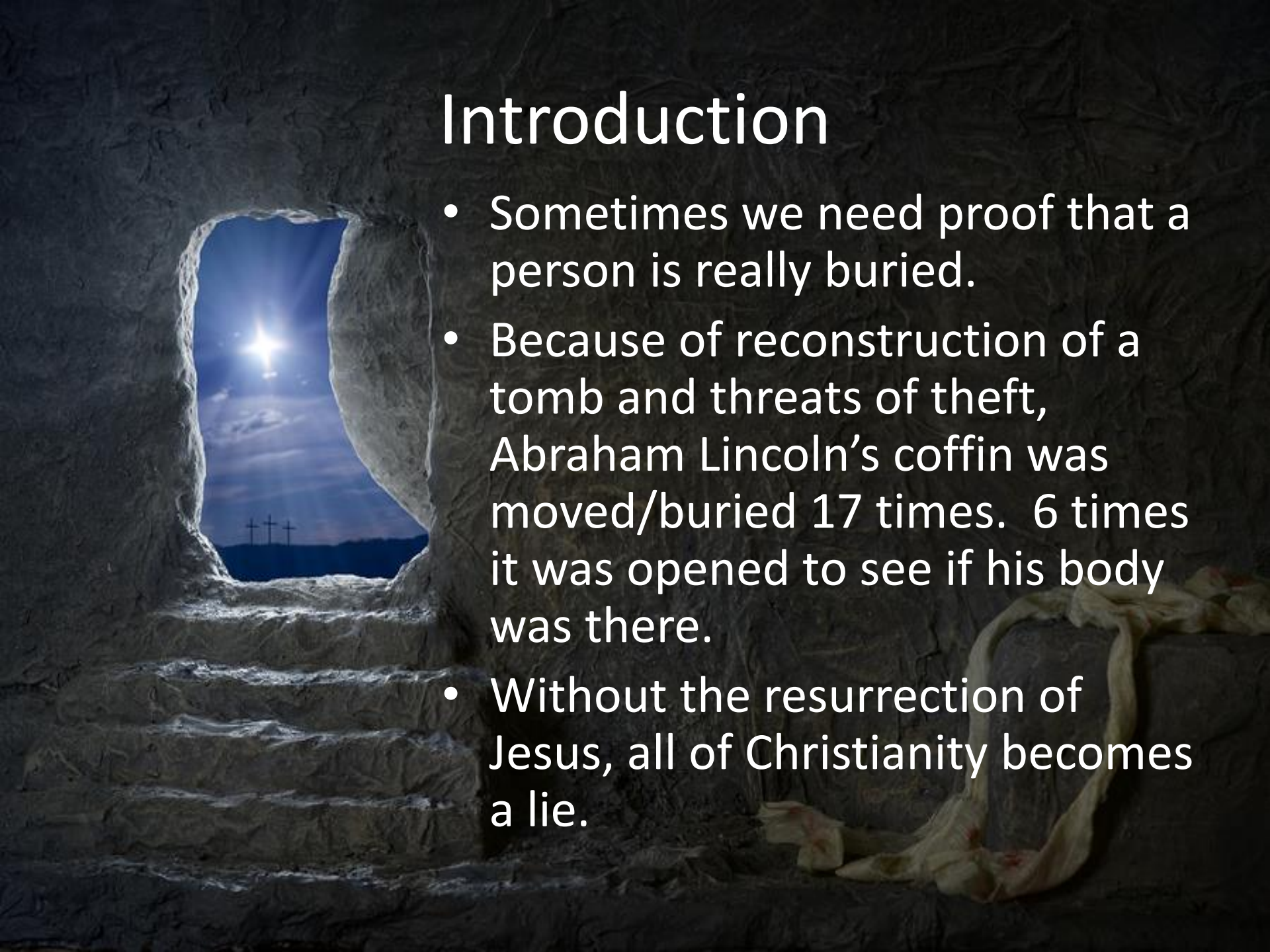
# He Arose!

## Matt. 28:1-8

Purpose: To examine the importance  
of Christ's resurrection.

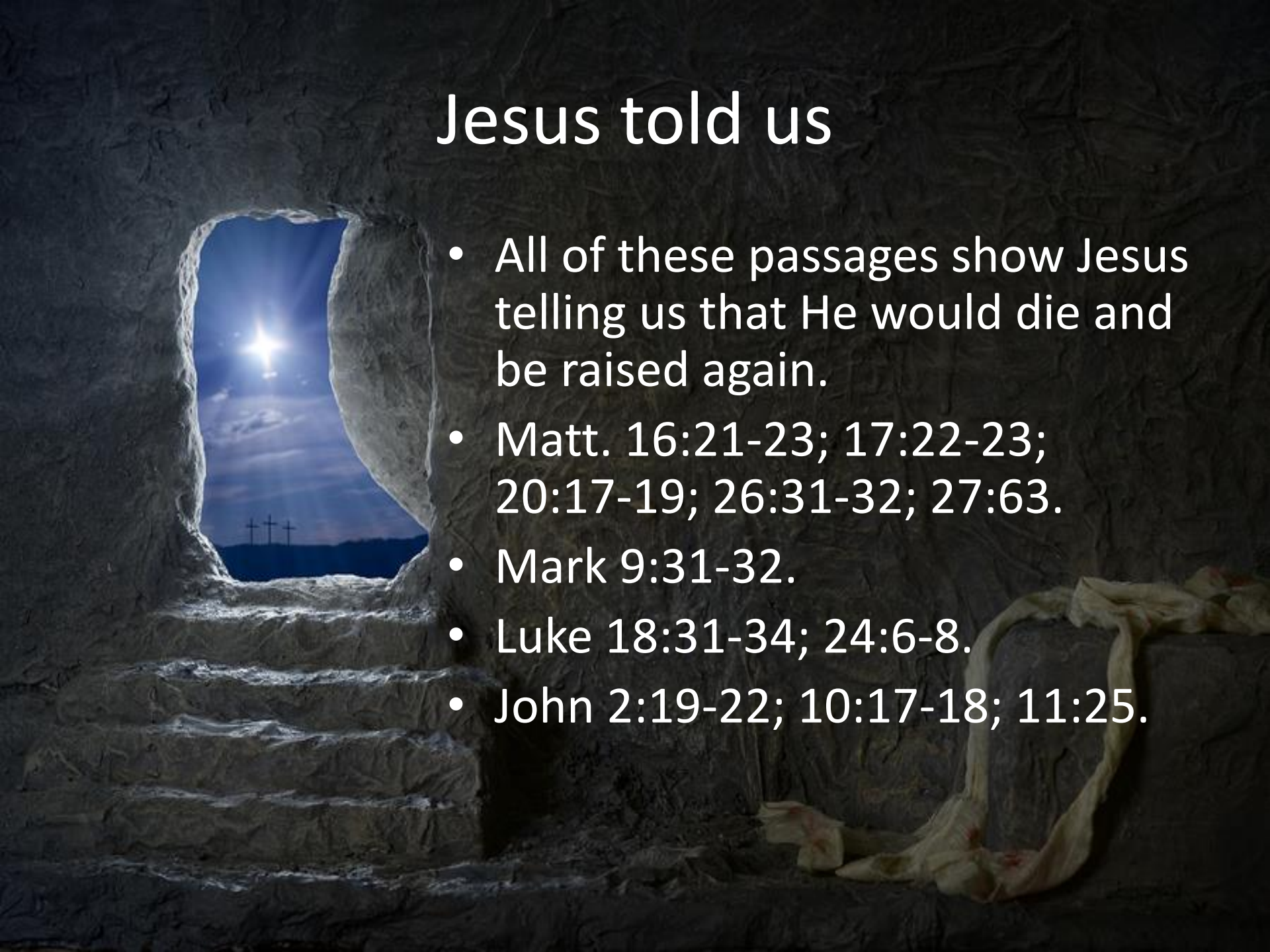
# Introduction

- Sometimes we need proof that a person is really buried.
- Because of reconstruction of a tomb and threats of theft, Abraham Lincoln's coffin was moved/buried 17 times. 6 times it was opened to see if his body was there.
- Without the resurrection of Jesus, all of Christianity becomes a lie.



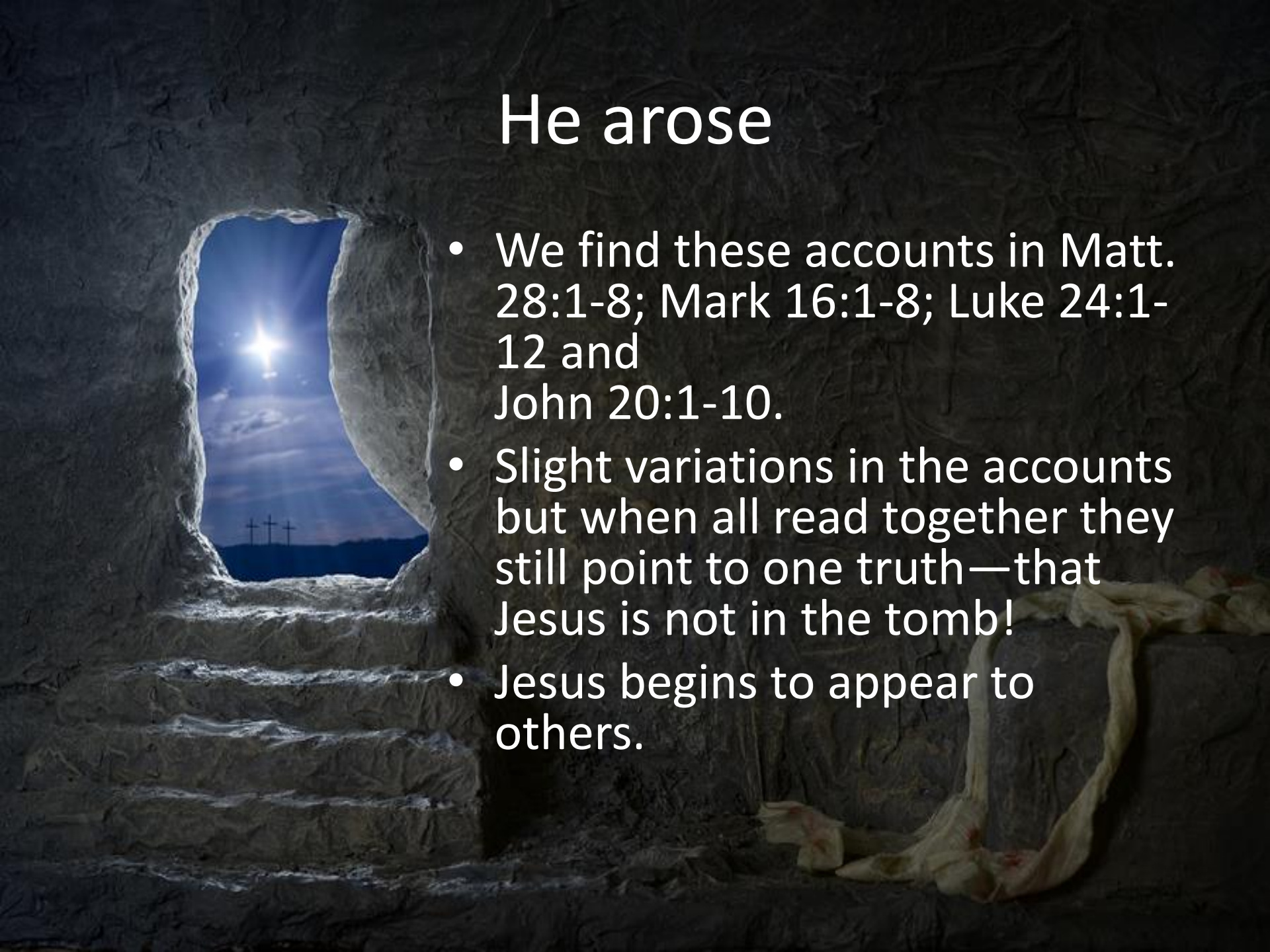
# Jesus told us

- All of these passages show Jesus telling us that He would die and be raised again.
- Matt. 16:21-23; 17:22-23; 20:17-19; 26:31-32; 27:63.
- Mark 9:31-32.
- Luke 18:31-34; 24:6-8.
- John 2:19-22; 10:17-18; 11:25.



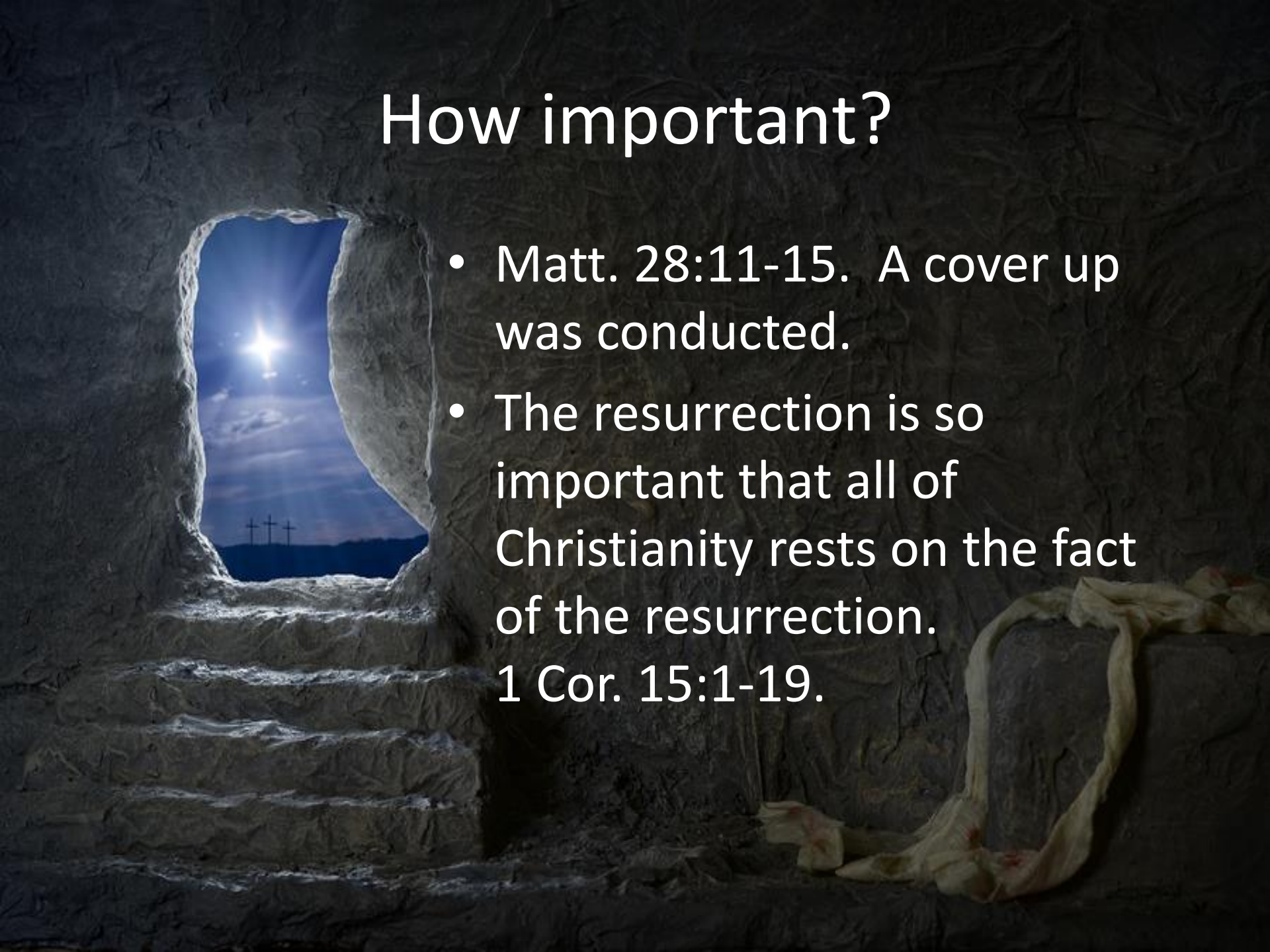
# He arose

- We find these accounts in Matt. 28:1-8; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-12 and John 20:1-10.
- Slight variations in the accounts but when all read together they still point to one truth—that Jesus is not in the tomb!
- Jesus begins to appear to others.



# How important?

- Matt. 28:11-15. A cover up was conducted.
- The resurrection is so important that all of Christianity rests on the fact of the resurrection.  
1 Cor. 15:1-19.



# Conclusion

- Some who profess to be Christians do not believe in the resurrection. That doesn't make any sense. Why be a Christian if Christ is still in the grave?
- Does it make any sense to believe Jesus rose from the dead if you are still not a Christian? Think about it.

