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The women find the tomb has been opened and Jesus' body is gone.

2) Who are the men 'in dazzling apparel' at the tomb?

They are angels.

3) What do they tell the women?

The angels tell them that, as he predicted, Jesus has risen from the dead.

4) What do the women do at the end?

The women then go to tell the other disciples.

5) What does this story tell us about Jesus?

It shows that Jesus has the power to overcome death. To Christians, therefore, he must be the Son of God.