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... I am the resurrection and the Ilie.
The one who believes in me will live,
even though they die;

John 11:25 (NIV)

## **Jesus in the Tomb**

Matthew 27:62-66, Mark 15:42-47, Luke 23:50-56, John 19:31-49

"Please, Pilate, sir, may I bury the body of Jesus of Nazareth Who was crucified?" asked Joseph of Arimathea.

Joseph had been a secret disciple of Jesus. He had been afraid of the Jewish leaders, but now he was determined to do what he could for Jesus.

Pilate asked his solders if Jesus really was dead. To make sure, the soldiers stuck a spear in Jesus' side and saw the water and blood come out. Jesus was completely dead.

With Pilate's permission, Joseph, along with Nicodemus, carefully lowered Jesus' body from the cross and wrapped it in strips of cloth along with special spices to give it a good smell.

Joseph had a new tomb nearby. They carried Jesus' body there and laid Him away very sad. Jesus was dead.

