# Watch and pray

The women at the cross

#### Matt 27

<sup>55</sup> Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs. <sup>56</sup> Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph,<sup>[or Joses]</sup> and the mother of Zebedee's sons

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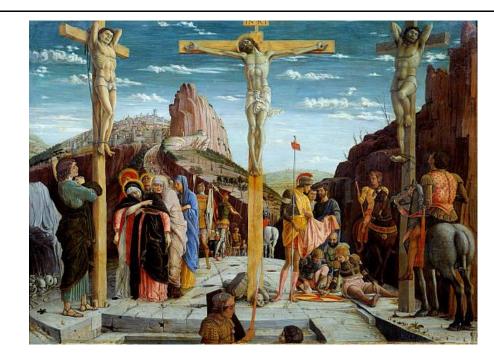
- 1. Mary- his mother
- 2. Mary Clopas,- mother of James and Joses(or Joseph)
- 3. Mary Magdalene (delivered from 7 demons)
- 4. Salome, his aunt, his mother Mary's sister and mother of Zebedee, James and John.

# What did the women do?

- They stood there and watched
- They supported him practically
- They did what they could
- They were witnesses to his burial

### They stood and watched

Mark 15<sup>40</sup> Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joseph, and Salome. <sup>41</sup> In Galilee these women had followed him and cared for his needs. Many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem were also there.



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The crucifixion

## They supported him practically

Luke 8 After this, Jesus travelled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, <sup>2</sup> and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; <sup>3</sup> Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. **These women were helping to support them out of their own means**.

#### They did what they could

Luke 23<sup>55</sup> The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. <sup>56</sup> Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.



#### They were witnesses

Mark 15<sup>46</sup> So Joseph bought some linen cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the linen, and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup> Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid. How can we respond?

- •To watch and pray
- •To support him practically
- •To do what we can
- •To be a witness