

Chapter 28

He rifeth againe the third day, & (the blind moft obftinate Iewes by bribery working to their owne reprobation) he appeareth to his Difciples in Galilee (as both before his Pafsion he foretold them Mat. 26. and now after his Refurrection, firft the Angel, then alfo himfelf appointed by the women) 18. and fendeth them to al Nations, to build his Church among the Gentils.

Mr. 16, 1.

Luc. 24, 1.

Io. 20, 1.

And in the euening of the Sabboth which dawneth on the firft of the Sabboth, came Marie Magdalene, and the other Marie to fee the fepulchre. ² And behold there was made a great earth-quake. For an Angel of our Lord defcended from Heauen: and comming, roled back the ftone, and fate vpon it: ³ and his countenance was as lightning, and his garment as fnow. ⁴ And for feare of him, the watchmen were frighted, and became as dead. ⁵ And the Angel anfwering faid to the women: Feare not you. For I know that you feeke IESVS that was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he is rifen, as he faid. Come and fee the place where our Lord was laid. ⁷ And going quickly tel ye his Difciples that he is rifen: and behold he goeth before you into Galilee: there you fhall fee him. Loe I haue foretold you.

EASTER day.

Mt. 24, 32.

⁸ And they went forth quickly out of the monument with feare and great ioy, running to tel his Difciples. ⁹ And behold IESVS met them, faying: Al haile. But they came neere and tooke hold of his feet, and adored him. ¹⁰ Then IESVS faid to them: Feare not. Goe, tel my brethren that they goe into Galilee, there they fhall fee me.

¹¹ Who when they were departed, behold certaine of the watchmen came into the citie, and told the chiefe Priests al things that had been done. ¹² And being affembled together with the Ancients, taking counfel, they gaue a great fumme of money to the fouldiars, ¹³ faying: Say you, that his Difciples came by night, and ftole him away when we were afleep. ¹⁴ And if the Prefident

that heare of this, we wil perswade him, and make you secure. ¹⁵ But they taking the money, did as they were taught. And this word was bruited abroad among the Iewes, euen vnto this day.

¹⁶ And the eleuen Disciples went into Galilee, vnto the mount where IESVS had appointed them. ¹⁷ And seeing him they adored, but some doubted. ¹⁸ And IESVS comming neere spake vnto them, saying: All power is giuen to me in Heauen and in earth. ¹⁹ ¶going therefore teach ye all Nations: BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SONNE, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST, ²⁰ teaching them to obserue all things whatsoever I haue commanded you: and behold I am ¶with you all daies, euen to the consummation of the world.

ANNOTATIONS

1 To see the Sepulcher) The deuout women came to visit our Sauours sepulcher, and for their deuotion first deferred to know the Resurrection, and to see him risen. The honour of the which Sepulcher, and the Pilgrimage thereunto in the Primitive Church, S. Hierom declareth in these wordes: *The Iewes sometime honoured Sancta Sanctorum, because there were the Cherubs & the Propitiatorie, & the Arke of the Testament, Manna, Aarons rod, & the golden Altar. Doth not the Sepulcher of our Lord seeme vnto thee more honorable? Which as often as we enter into so often doe we see our Saviour lie in the findon & staying there a while, we see the Angel againe sit at his feet, & at his head the napkin wrapped together. The glorie of whose Sepulcher, we know was long prophesied before Ioseph hewed it out, by Esay saying: And his rest shall be honour, to wit, because the place of our Lordes burial should be honoured of all men.* And at this present, notwithstanding the Turkes dominion, yet doe the Religious Christian Catholike men by Gods mighty providence keepe the holy Sepulcher, which is within a goodly Church, and Christians come out of all the world in Pilgrimage to it.

19 Going therefore) Commiſſion to baptize and preach to all Nations giuen to the Apostles, and grounded vpon Christs soveraigne authority, to whom was giuen all power in Heauen and in earth.

20 With you all daies) Here Christ doth promise his concurrence with his Apostles & their Successors, as well in preaching as ministering the Sacraments, and his protection of the Church neuer to cease till the worlds end: contrary to our Adversaries, saying

The holy Sepulcher, and Pilgrimage therunto.

The Catholike Church to be gathered of all Nations.

Christs continual protection of the same Church.

*In Ep. 17. Paulæ
& Euftoch. ad
Marcel. to. 1.*

Esa. 11.

that the Church hath failed many hundred yeares til Luther and Calvin.