

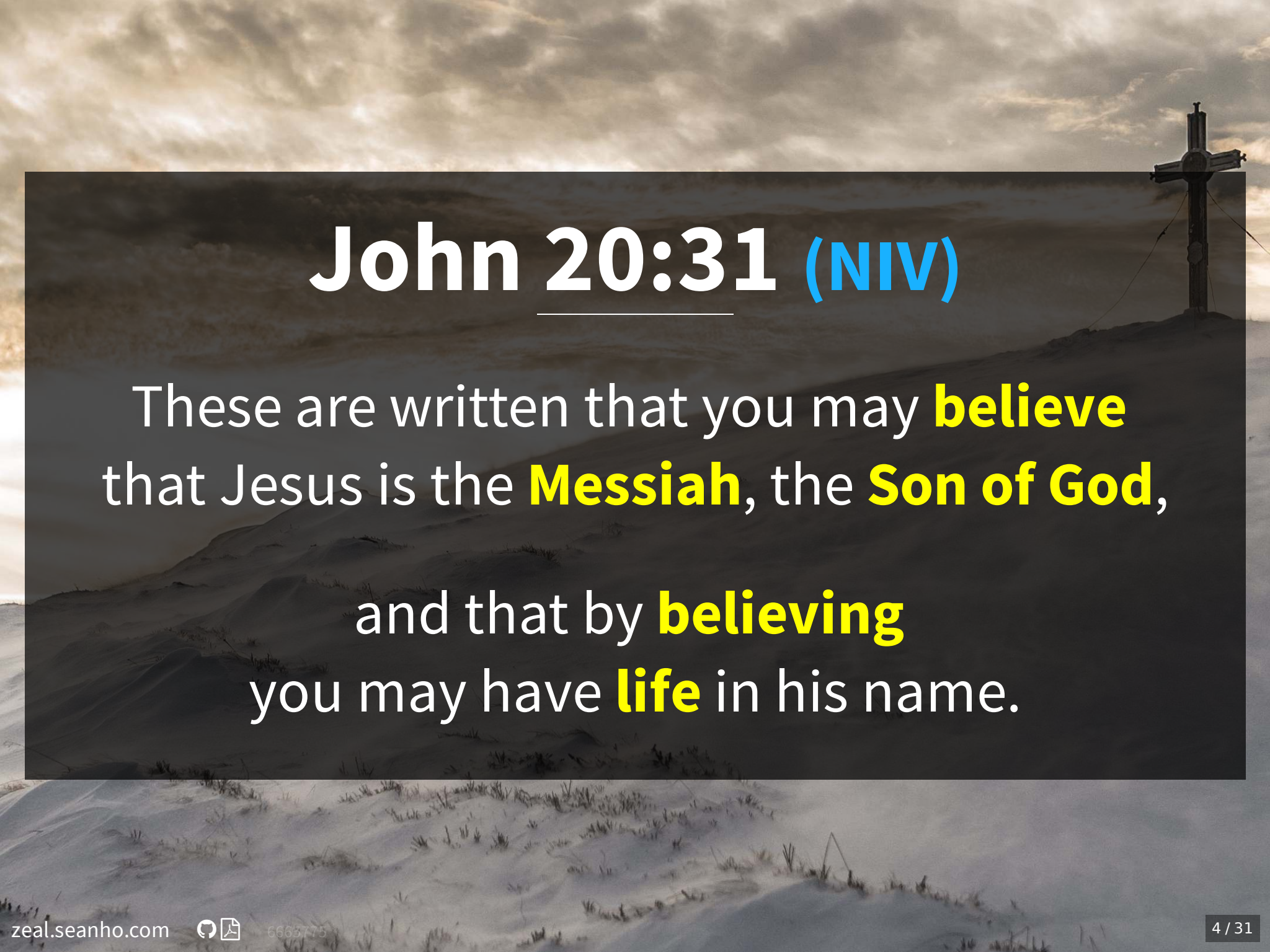
Zeal for the House of God

John 2:13-22

**What is Jesus
passionate for?**

Gospel of **John**: the **Passion of the Christ**

- Early Ministry: **Appearance** (ch1-4)
- Ministry to the Public: **Signs** (ch5-12)
- Ministry to the Disciples: **Teaching** (ch13-17)
- **Death** and **Resurrection** (ch18-21)

A large, dark cross stands on a hill in the background, set against a dramatic, cloudy sky. The foreground is a dark, textured surface, possibly sand or earth, with some sparse vegetation. The overall mood is solemn and contemplative.

John 20:31 (NIV)

These are written that you may **believe**
that Jesus is the **Messiah**, the **Son of God**,
and that by **believing**
you may have **life** in his name.

Zeal for the House of God

1. House of **Merchants** (v13-14)
2. House of **My Father** (v15-17)
3. Sign of **Proof** (v18, 20)
4. Sign of the **Temple** (v19, 21-22)

An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, showing the Old City walls and various buildings. A semi-transparent dark grey box is overlaid in the center, containing text. The text is white, with the number '13' in blue and the words 'Passover' and 'Jerusalem' in yellow.

13 When it was almost time
for the Jewish **Passover**,
Jesus went up to **Jerusalem**.

Cleansing the Temple

First Passover

John 2

Third Passover

Matthew 21

Mark 11


Luke 19

Start of ministry

End of ministry

A close-up photograph of a brown and white cow with horns, standing in a lush green field. The cow has yellow ear tags with the number '0092' visible. The background is a soft-focus green field.

14 In the **temple courts** he found people selling **cattle**, **sheep** and **doves**,



14 and others sitting at **tables**
exchanging **money**.

(Modern Israeli half-shekel. © 2009 @rickjpellg, CC-BY-SA 3.0)

1 Timothy 6:4-5 (NIV)


They have an unhealthy interest in **controversies** ...

constant **friction** between
people of **corrupt mind**,
who think that **godliness**
is a means to **financial gain**.

**Do I attend church
to seek the Father
or to seek His blessings?**


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The painting depicts Jesus in the center, wearing a red tunic and a blue mantle, holding a whip made of cords. He is surrounded by a crowd of people, including a woman on the left holding a lamb, and a woman on the right carrying a basket of bread on her head. The scene is set in a temple with classical architectural elements like columns and arches. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting Jesus and the central figures.

15 So he made a **whip** out of cords,
and **drove** all from the temple courts,
both **sheep** and **cattle**;

Bernardino Mei, "Christ Cleansing the Temple", 1655. Getty Museum, LA



15 he **scattered** the coins
of the money changers
and **overturned** their tables.



16 To those who sold **doves** he said,
“Get these **out** of here!

Stop turning **my Father’s house**
into a **market!**”



17 His disciples **remembered** that it is written:
“**Zeal** for your house will **consume** me.”

Alexander Bida, "Jesús expulsa a los mercaderes del Templo" 1885

Psalm 69:7,9 (NIV)

7 For I endure **scorn** for your sake,
and **shame** covers my face.

9 Zeal for **your house** consumes me,
and the **insults** of those
who insult you fall on me.

1 Cor 3:16-17 (NIV)

Don't you know that you **yourselves**
are God's **temple**
and that God's **Spirit** dwells in your midst?

If anyone **destroys** God's temple,
God will destroy that person;

for God's temple is **sacred**,
and **you together** are that temple.

**Am I consumed with sorrow
over attacks on
God's character or church?**

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An engraving depicting Jesus sitting on the ground, gesturing with his right hand towards a group of Pharisees standing before him. The Pharisees are dressed in traditional Jewish attire, including long robes and head coverings. One man in the foreground is looking at Jesus with a thoughtful expression, while others behind him appear to be in conversation. The background shows a landscape with hills and a distant town.

18 The Jews then **responded** to him,
“What **sign** can you show us
to prove your authority to **do** all this?”

F. A. Ludy, "Christ Curses the Pharisees", 1843.

1 Cor 1:22-23 (NASB, p.1/2)

For indeed Jews ask for **signs**
and Greeks search for **wisdom**;

23 but we preach Christ **crucified**,
to Jews a **stumbling block**
and to Gentiles **foolishness**,

1 Cor 1:24 (NASB, p.2/2)

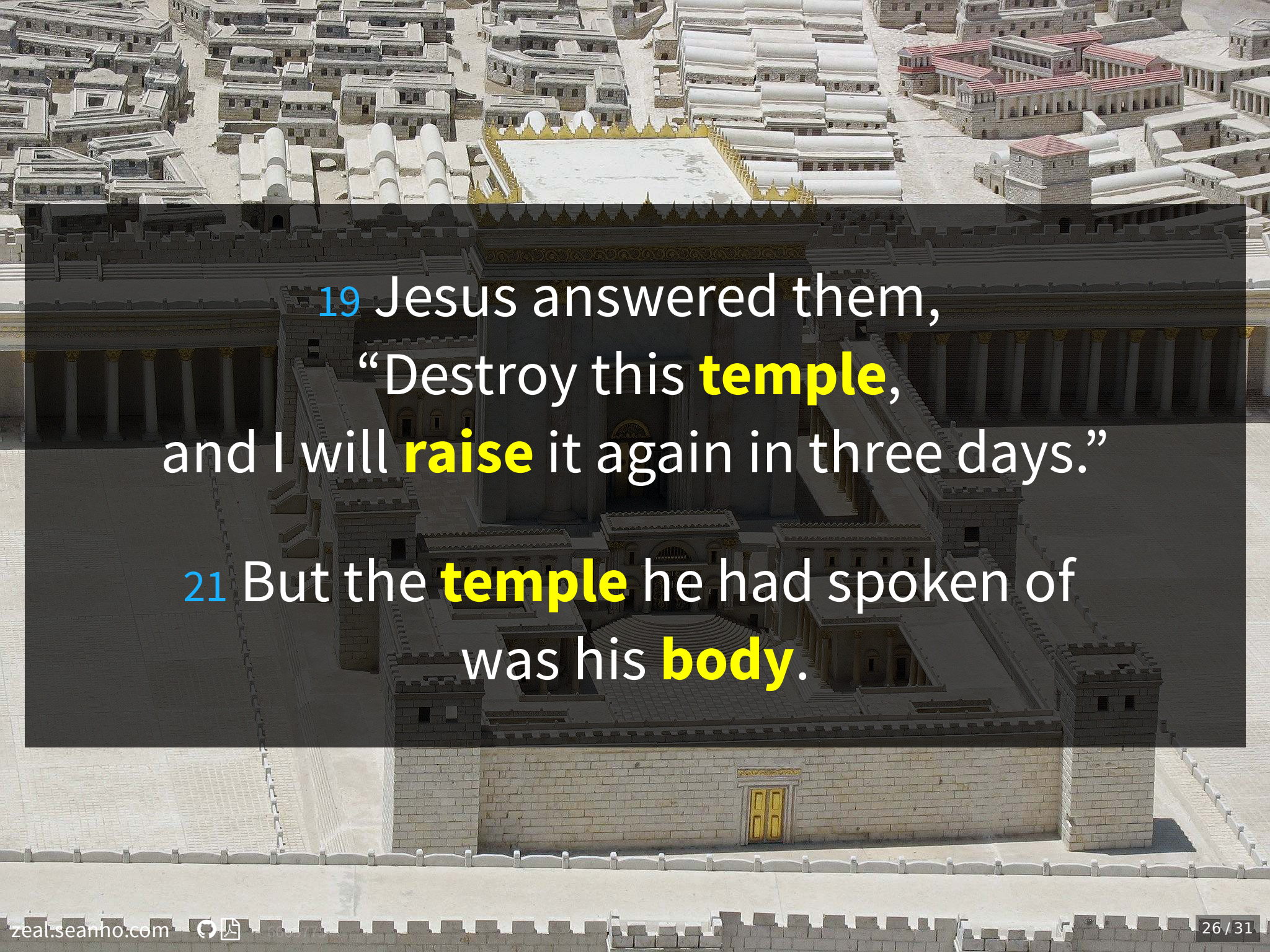
but to those who are **the called**,
both Jews and Greeks,

Christ the **power** of God
and the **wisdom** of God.

Do I demand **proof
from God?**

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19 Jesus answered them,
“Destroy this **temple**,
and I will **raise** it again in three days.”

21 But the **temple** he had spoken of
was his **body**.

Ephesians 2:20-22 (NASB)

Christ Jesus Himself [is] the **corner stone**,

21 in whom the whole **building**,

being **fitted** together,

is growing into a **holy temple** in the Lord,

22 in whom you also are being **built together**

into a **dwelling of God** in the Spirit.

A photograph of the Garden Tomb in Jerusalem, showing a large, dark, rectangular opening in a stone wall. The surrounding rock is light-colored and textured. In the foreground, there is a concrete walkway and some small informational signs. To the left, there are some pink flowers.

22 After he was **raised** from the dead,
his disciples **recalled** what he had said.

Then they **believed** the **Scripture**
and the **words** that Jesus had spoken.

[Entrance to the Garden Tomb](#) Jerusalem © 2009 Alan W Scott, CC-BY-SA 2.0

Who is Jesus?

What is He **passionate** for?



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