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(Ma'ry) [from the Hebrew Miriam, possibly meaning Rebellious]

- **Mary Magdalene.** Her distinguishing name, meaning, **Of Belonging to Magdala** likely stems from the town of **Magdala** on the western shore of the Sea of Galilee about halfway between Capernaum and Tiberias.
- There is no record of Jesus ever visiting this town, though he spent a great deal of time in the surrounding area. Nor is it certain that it was **Mary's** hometown or place of residence. Since Luke refers to her as Mary **the so-called Magdalene**, some think he implies something special or peculiar.
- And certain women that had been cured of wicked spirits and sicknesses, **Mary the so-called Magdalene**, from whom seven demons had come out. (**Luke 8:2**)

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- Jesus expelled seven demons from **Mary Magdalene**, reason enough for her to put faith in him as the Messiah and for her to back up such faith with outstanding works of devotion and service.
- She is first mentioned in the account of Jesus second year of preaching, when he and his apostles were journeying from city to city and from village to village, preaching and declaring the Good News of the kingdom of God.
- Together with Joanna the wife of Herod's man in charge, Susanna, and other women, **Mary Magdalene** continued ministering to the needs of Jesus and his apostles out of her own belongings.
- Shortly afterwards he went journeying from city to city and from village to village, preaching and declaring the Good News of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him. (**Luke 8:1**)
- And certain women that had been cured of wicked spirits and sicknesses, **Mary the so-called Magdalene**, from whom seven demons had come out. (**Luke 8:2**)
- And Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's man in charge, and

Susanna and many other women, who were ministering to them from their belongings. (Luke 8:3)

- The most prominent notice of **Mary Magdalene** is in connection with the death and resurrection of Jesus. When Jesus, as the Lamb of God, was led to the slaughter, she was among the women who had accompanied Jesus from Galilee to minister to him and were viewing from a distance as Jesus hung on the torture stake. In her company were Jesus mother Mary, Salome, and also the other **Mary MARY 4**.
- Moreover, many women were there viewing from a distance, who had accompanied Jesus from Galilee to minister to him. (Matthew 27:55)
- Among whom was **Mary Magdalene**, also **Mary** the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. (Matthew 27:56)
- But **Mary Magdalene** and the other **Mary** continued there, sitting before the grave. (Matthew 27:61)
- There were also women viewing from a distance, among them **Mary Magdalene** as well as Mary the mother of James the Less and of Joses, and Salome. (Mark 15:40)
- By the torture stake of Jesus, however, there were standing his mother and the sister of his mother, **Mary** the wife of Clopas, and **Mary Magdalene**. (John 19:25)
- After Jesus burial, **Mary Magdalene** and other women went to prepare spices and perfumed oil before the Sabbath began at sundown. Then following the Sabbath, at the break of dawn, on the first day of the week, **Mary** and the other women brought the perfumed oil to the tomb.
- After the Sabbath, when it was growing light on the first day of the week, **Mary Magdalene** and the other **Mary** came to view the grave. (Matthew 28:1)
- But **Mary Magdalene** and **Mary** the mother of Joses continued looking at where he had been laid. (Mark 15:47)
- So when the Sabbath had passed, **Mary Magdalene**, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices in order to come and

grease him. (**Mark 16:1**)

- **And very early on the first day of the week they came to the memorial tomb, when the sun had risen. (**Mark 16:2**)**
- **But the women, who had come with him out of Galilee, followed along and took a look at the memorial tomb and how his body was laid. (**Luke 23:55**)**
- **And they went back to prepare spices and perfumed oils. But, of course, they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment. (**Luke 23:56**)**
- **On the first day of the week, however, they went very early to the tomb, bearing the spices they had prepared. (**Luke 24:1**)**
- **When **Mary** saw the tomb was open and apparently empty, she rushed off to tell the startling news to Peter and John, who ran to the tomb.**
- **On the first day of the week **Mary Magdalene** came to the memorial tomb early, while there was still darkness, and she beheld the stone already taken away from the memorial tomb. (**John 20:1**)**
- **Therefore she ran and came to Simon Peter and to the other disciple, for whom Jesus had affection, and she said to them; They have taken away the Lord out of the memorial tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him. (**John 20:2**)**
- **Then Peter and the other disciple went out and started for the memorial tomb. (**John 20:3**)**
- **Yes, the two together began to run, but the other disciple ran ahead of Peter with greater speed and reached the memorial tomb first. (**John 20:4**)**
- **By the time **Mary** got back to the tomb, Peter and John had left, and it was now that she checked inside and was stunned at seeing two angels in white.**
- **Then she turned back and saw Jesus standing. Thinking him to be the gardener, she asked where the body was, that she might care**

for it. When he replied; **Mary!** His identity was immediately revealed to her and she impulsively embraced him, exclaiming; *Rab-bo'ni!*

- **But there was no time now for expressions of earthly affection. Jesus would be with them only a short time. **Mary** must hasten to inform the other disciples of his resurrection and that Jesus was ascending, as he said; To my Father and your Father and to my God and your God.**
- ****Mary**, however, kept standing outside near the memorial tomb, weeping. Then, while she was weeping, she stooped forward to look into the memorial tomb (John 20:11)**
- **And she viewed two angels in white sitting one at the head and one at the feet where the body of Jesus had been lying. (John 20:12)**
- **And they said to her; Woman, why are you weeping? She said to them; They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have laid him. (John 20:13)**
- **After saying these things, she turned back and viewed Jesus standing, but she did not discern it was Jesus. (John 20:14)**
- **Jesus said to her; Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for? She, imagining it was the gardener, said to him; Sir, if you have carried him off, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away. (John 20:15)**
- **Jesus said to her; **Mary!** Upon turning around, she said to him, in Hebrew; *Rabboni!* Which means Teacher! (John 20:16)**
- **Jesus said to her; Stop clinging to me. For I have not yet ascended to the Father. But be on your way to my brothers and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father and to my God and your God. (John 20:17)**
- ****Mary Magdalene** came and brought the news to the disciples; I have seen the Lord! And that he said these things to her. (John 20:18)**