They asked her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

She answered, "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him."

As she said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"
Thinking he was the gardener, she said to



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him, "Sir, if you have removed him, tell me where you have put him, and I will take him away."

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" which means "Teacher".

Jesus then said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to my Father.

But go to my brethren and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' "

Mary Magdalene then went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and repeated what he had said to her.

Thought for the Day

Was there a time and place when you really felt the reality of Jesus in your life? From last year's Easter homily, Pope Francis suggests we return to an experience of Jesus that was most real for us. From that memory we move forward.

What do I ask from Jesus today?