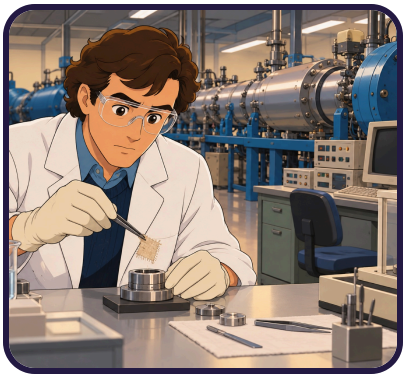
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BIG QUESTION

Is the Shroud of Turin real?



The Shroud of Turin is a linen cloth about fourteen feet long, with the faint image of a crucified man. Its wounds match the Gospels: a whip, a crown of thorns, a spear. In 1988 three labs carbon-dated one corner and called it medieval, and headlines called it a fake.

But the evidence didn't stop there, and the case is stronger than the headlines said. Still, John believed before he saw Jesus, looking at linen in an empty tomb. The faith rests on that tomb.

Weigh the evidence

Draw a line from each test to what it found.

1 Secondo Pia's photo (1898)		A AD 1260 to 1390, from one corner of the cloth
2 The 1978 team		B A clear, lifelike face on the negative
3 The carbon date (1988)		C One thread aged like linen from AD 55 to 74
4 The X-ray test (2022)		D No paint, and the blood tested as blood

Memory verse

"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep."
1 Corinthians 15:20

Fill it in: "But _____ has indeed been _____ from the _____, the _____ of those who have fallen _____."

1 Corinthians 15:20

I can say it! ☆ ☆ ☆ Color a star each time you say it.

Talk about it

1. Which clue for the Shroud seems strongest to you, and why?
2. What would you say to someone who says the carbon date settled it?
3. Why doesn't the Christian faith need the Shroud?

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