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GARDEN TOMB

The Garden Tomb is just a short walk from "Gordon's Calvary." It is believed by many Christians to be the site of the borrowed tomb of Jesus because it closely fits the description of the tomb in the Gospel of John chapter 19:41-42. "At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid." Between Calvary and the tomb, one will find an ancient winepress and a very large water cistern, indicating this area was used as a garden. The tomb itself has two chambers cut from rock and dates back to the days of Christ. This was not a typical burial site. Joseph of Arimathea was believed to be a rich man and would have prepared an elaborate tomb for himself such as this one.

The Garden Tomb Association of London maintains the tomb and garden area. While you are here, take the time to think of what might have happened in this historic place - the resurrection of the Son of God. Jesus revealed himself to Mary. Peter and John raced to the tomb, only to find the burial clothes on the slab along with His talit folded neatly (John 20:1-18). This was visible proof of God's authority over death, hell and the grave, the verification that Jesus Christ was and is our Savior. As you leave this place, be assured as Mary was, that Jesus is alive!