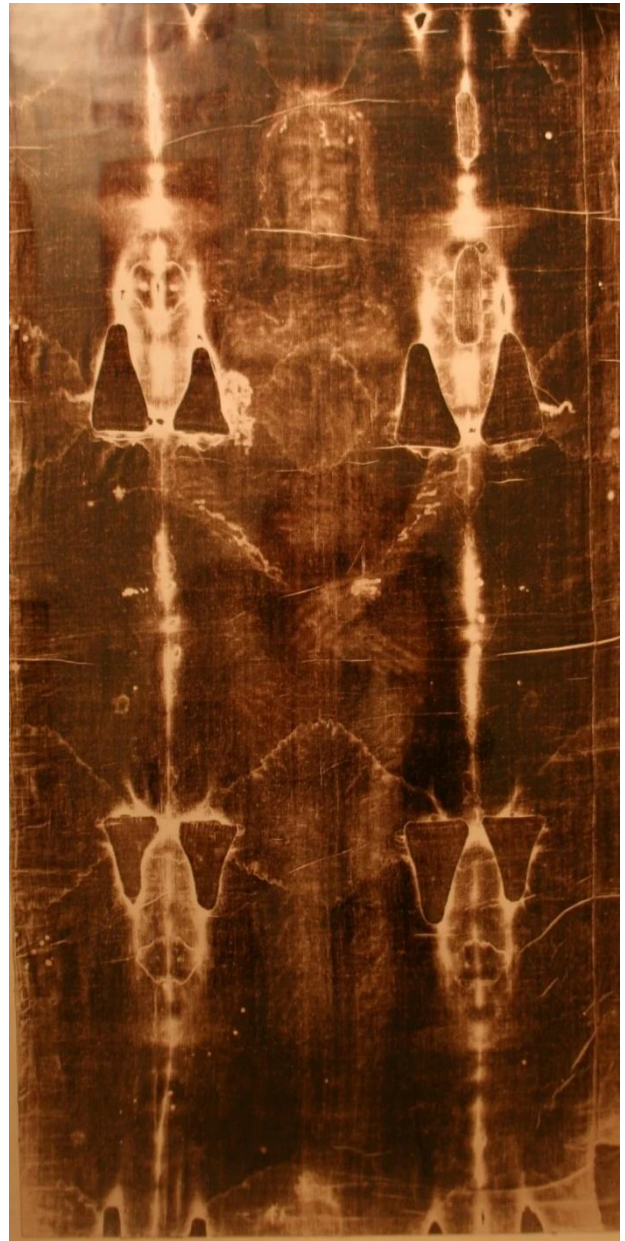


The Shroud of Turin

The main problem with claiming that the face of Jesus is portrayed on the Shroud of Turin because it was wrapped around him during his burial, is that Jesus did not just die. The story doesn't end there. Jesus also rose from the dead. We read about his grave wrappings in

John 20

*¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the **face cloth**, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.*



In this scripture, written by the Apostle John, who was an eyewitness to this event, John clearly states that there was a separate cloth wrapped around his head. Some clothes were wrapped around his body, and one cloth was wrapped around his face. However, the Shroud of Turin is just one cloth which then disqualifies it as having anything to do with Jesus. The only evidence the Shroud of Turin gives, is the fact that it shows with how poor attention the Roman Catholic Church reads the Bible. What a shame! Maybe it is because the Roman Catholic value their own historic interpretations of scripture as more significant than scripture itself, even though those ancient interpretations were made when the church lacked much of its modern knowledge, because the Bible has been translated into the modern languages of its speakers. How the church understands the world is also different today thanks to the impact of science, technology and archaeology yet the Roman Catholic Church still value their ancient interpretations even though much of it is wrong. It takes just a minute amount of common sense to understand that it is not the face of Jesus on The Shroud of Turin, yet Catholics are not willing to reevaluate their ancient assumptions with the help of the Bible. How silly.