



USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE DURING YOUR STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

**Message Recap:** In a world with so much brokenness and pain, division and despair, it can be easy to lose hope, become cynical, and even doubt. And sometimes, Easter can feel over-hyped when we wonder what impact Jesus really has on our lives. The good news about Jesus' Resurrection is that endings are not final - fear, hate, and grief do not win! Love does. It was a historic event that really happened, and it's something we get to experience every day.

### » Main Points

- For the Christ-follower - everything rises and falls on the resurrection.
- We are looking for the Resurrection Life.
- Easter celebrates that trauma is subject to triumph!

### » Getting Started

- What is the most difficult part of the Easter story for you to understand or believe?

### » Observation

- Read and reflect on [1 Corinthians 15:14-16; Luke 1:1-4; 24:1-12, 36-49](#)
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

### reachout

- It's Easter, which means springtime. As the days get longer and warmer, look for opportunities to get to know your neighbors. Hang out in your front yard and walk your dog around the neighborhood. Get to know any new people who might have moved in over the winter.

### growdeep

- Reread the passages from Luke 24. What details in these accounts stand out to you? Why do those details matter?
- At one time or another, most have wondered about God, wandered from God, or both. What are some things you wonder about or a season where you've wandered from faith?
- Followers of Jesus don't believe in the resurrection because the Bible says it happened. They believe because *eyewitnesses* and those who talked with *eyewitnesses* wrote about it. Do you agree with this statement? Talk about why or why not.

### partner with families

- The good news of Easter is for everyone! Make a plan for your family to share about why the resurrection is important for each of you with a friend, family member, co-worker, or neighbor this week.

### » Next Steps and Prayer

- Easter ties our faith to something that happened rather than something we just believe. The foundation of the Christian faith is not a belief but an event that diminishes our fear of loss. Because of the resurrection, you can live knowing there is life beyond this life. Make time in this next week to reflect on this statement and process what this means for you.
- Close by praying for a renewed and refreshed awareness of God's great resurrection story and the impact it has on your life and the lives of those around you.