

The Resurrection

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The resurrection is the central event of the Christian faith. It's not just a historical event but a defining truth that shapes our understanding of God, ourselves, and the world.

The resurrection of Jesus demonstrates God's power over death and provides hope for a transformed future for believers. It offers hope for victory over sin and death, a new transformed life in Heaven, and a new relationship with God.

Welcome: What's your earliest memory of Easter?

Worship: Spend some time in worship. Plan an act of worship that is appropriate to your group.

Word: Looking at God's word together:

Read John 20:1-8

1. What do we understand about the three different responses to the resurrection (Mary's, Peter's & John's)?
2. How do these three reactions reflect your own response to the empty tomb?
3. How does the resurrection impact your understanding of God and your faith?
4. What evidence do you find compelling for the historicity of the resurrection?
5. How does the resurrection change your perspective on life and death?
6. In what ways can the resurrection encourage and motivate you to live a more Christ-like life?

Witness: How can we share the hope of the resurrection with others?

Prayer:

- Pray with expectancy that God will do so much more in our own lives and through his church this coming year.
- Pray for the homes in the immediate vicinity of your own home.
- Pray for the church during Mat's sabbatical. Pray that it will be a fruitful time.
- Pray for the Summer Fun Day that is in the early planning stages.