



Easter
Small Group Questions
Week of April 1-7, 2018

Icebreaker:

How was your Easter?

Review & Discuss:

1. What questions or doubts do you have about the resurrection?
(see below for typical questions after you have all answered)
2. Have you found or looked up answers to your questions?
If yes, what answer(s) did you find?
If no, what has prevented you from finding the answers?
3. Do you find when you focus on and remember the resurrection and all God the Father did to raise Jesus to life that it enables you to better face your own challenges in life?
If yes, how?
If no, why is that?
4. Do you fear dying? Do you fear death? How does the resurrection help?
5. A challenge to consider: Go to a friend/colleague/family member and tell them your pastor has given you an assignment: to find someone who is not a believer and ask them what questions or doubts do they have about the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Once you have their questions, research and give them answers and ask for feedback or continued dialogue on the answers and their questions. After you have answered them all, ask them if they have come to feel differently about the resurrection or are they as skeptical as when you began with them.
Your whole group could do this by choosing one person to be the contact person and then help them research and form their answers in reply to the questions.

(Some typical questions: *How do we know what is written is correct, how can we trust the writers? What if Jesus wasn't really dead, that he recovered in the tomb? What if his body was stolen by the authorities? What if the disciples stole his body? What if they were hallucinating when they saw the arisen Jesus? What if they went to the wrong tomb? What if the church made up the story long after Jesus died?)*