

Beyond Me
How to prepare for Easter
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1. Don't Make Easter _____

*I Corinthians 15:3-4 "I passed on to you **what was most important** and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said."*
(NLT=New Living Translation)

2. Embrace _____ For The Sake of Others

Philippians 2:5-8 "You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross." (NLT)

3. Utilize Easter As _____

I Peter 3:15 "But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect." (NIV=New International Version)

4. _____ For People In Your Circle of Influence

II Corinthians 4:4 "Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God." (NLT)

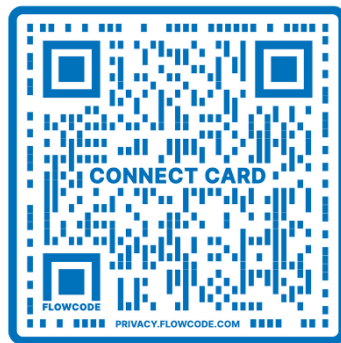
5. _____ In The Hope You Have In Christ

*I Peter 1:21 "Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and **hope** in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory." (NLT)*

6. Enter The _____ For Your Community

Ephesians 6:10-12 “A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God’s armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.” (NLT)

Romans 16:20 “The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet...” (NLT)



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Discussion Questions:

1. Even though we are celebrating Easter individually and collectively, how are you going to not make Easter exclusively about you and your experience?
2. In what ways can you embrace sacrifice for the sake of others this Easter?
3. How are you going to see Easter as an opportunity to reach out to others?
4. How are you praying for people in your circle of influence? What type of prayers are you going to be praying for them?
5. Discuss the hope we have in Christ because of Easter.
6. How do we enter the battle for our community? How does Eph. 6 describe the spiritual battle we are a part of. How do we engage in this battle all year not only at Easter?