

## **Easter Sunday Small Group Guide: The Resurrection**

Opening Prayer: Begin your session with a prayer, thanking God for Jesus' resurrection and asking for guidance in your discussion.

### Key Takeaways:

1. The resurrection of Jesus is the cornerstone of Christian faith.
2. Christ's resurrection impacts our lives both now and in eternity.
3. The resurrection proves God's promises and His power over death.
4. Jesus' rising from the dead assures us of future judgment and salvation.

### Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you most from the Easter sermon? Why?
2. The sermon mentioned four ways the resurrection impacts us today. Which of these resonates most with you personally?
  - a) God has defeated death for you
  - b) Every promise of God is true
  - c) God will judge every sin
  - d) God loves you and wants to set you free
3. How does the reality of Jesus' resurrection change the way you view death? How might it impact how you live your life?

4. The sermon stated, "The resurrection impacts us as much in the here and now as it will in the life to come." Do you agree? How have you experienced the power of the resurrection in your daily life?

5. Discuss the significance of the disciples being willing to die for their belief in Jesus' resurrection. How does this strengthen your own faith?

6. How does the resurrection of Jesus provide assurance that God's promises are true? Can you share a promise from Scripture that has become more meaningful to you in light of the resurrection?

7. The sermon touched on God's judgment of sin. How does the resurrection give you confidence in God's justice, both for sins committed against you and for your own sins?

8. Reflect on the statement: "Jesus rose to prove that you really can be saved from your sin." How does this truth impact your understanding of salvation and your relationship with God?

#### Practical Applications:

1. This week, intentionally share the hope of the resurrection with someone who may be struggling or questioning their faith.

2. Choose one area of your life where you need to trust God more. Reflect on how the resurrection can give you confidence in God's faithfulness in this area.

3. Write down three promises from Scripture that are meaningful to you. Meditate on these promises daily, remembering that the resurrection proves God's words are true.

4. If you haven't yet put your trust in Jesus, consider the invitation given in the sermon. Discuss with the group any questions or hesitations you may have about taking this step of faith.

5. For those who have accepted Christ, take time this week to write out your testimony, focusing on how the resurrection has changed your life.

Closing Prayer: End your session by thanking God for the gift of salvation through Jesus' death and resurrection. Pray for each group member to experience the power of the resurrection in their daily lives.