

## EASTER 2024

**Date:** March 31, 2024

**Verses:** John 20



### ICEBREAKER

- Did you and your family have any Easter traditions growing up? What was a favorite or the most memorable?

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. Did you partake in the 21 Days of Prayer & Fasting challenge these past several weeks? If so, what was something impactful and meaningful about your time doing it?
3. What comes to mind when you consider the story of Easter? What does it symbolize or mean to you? Does it impact your day to day life?
4. Read John 20:24-29. In the story of Thomas, Des noted that we often refer to him as "Doubting Thomas". However, the truth is, he's no different than you and I. It's more normal to find ourselves in his shoes than not. Share about a time when you doubted God. How did you navigate that process?
  - **Leader Note:** *Some in your group may currently be in a space of doubt. Give them grace to share and express where they're at. Our goal is not to try and "fix" their doubt. Allow them to share and create space for them to not necessarily have the answer.*
5. Share about a big question in life that has caused you to doubt/question your faith. Has wrestling with this big question or these big questions given you a greater awareness of God in your life? Less of an awareness? Somewhere in between?
6. Des quoted this statement and followed with: "The mind will never accept what the heart has already rejected... True faith is heart first, head second." In your life right now, where are you struggling to have faith first in? Are there places you need to surrender this week and allow the Lord to work and heal you in?

### PRAYER

Allow people to share requests and celebrate any praise reports as well. Consider having someone write down the requests to share with the group. Take time to pray however long your group needs.



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