

Here are some talking points to start using to get your group talking to each other and to start generating meaningful conversations. Remember, you want others to do most of the talking.

**Start Talking.** Find a conversation starter for your group.

**Start Thinking.** Ask a question to get your group thinking. Which part of the message was most impactful to you and why?

**Talking About the Message Start Sharing & . NOTE: Pastor Ed may not cover all points in all services.**

**Open:** Jesus is risen – He is risen indeed. He is alive!

1. What are two aspects of Easter in our culture? **A.** One is about being with family and friends for an Easter meal, Easter egg hunt, eating the ears off chocolate bunnies, etc. But it is also, more importantly, about life and death.
2. The fact of Jesus dying on the cross for his disciples was crushing and discouraging. What did the death of Jesus seem to them? **A.** For them it was over. They lost their savior; their hope. How do we know – **Luke 24:19-24**
3. Lazarus: **John 11:32-35** Jesus in a way was blamed for the death of Lazarus. But knowing He was going to raise Lazarus from the dead, why did He weep? **A.** He wept over the consequences of death. But even in death hope arises! **John 11:25-26 & John 14:6**
4. So many people dismiss the resurrection as a story or fairy tale. What was Peter's response in **2Peter 1:16**? **A.** He gave eyewitness testimony that resurrection is true. See also **Luke 1:1-4**
5. What is the difference between Christianity and all other false religions? **A.** Their founders are dead and Jesus is alive. And there is no evidence for the false religions; only false teachings. **2Peter 2:1 & Acts 20:29-30**
6. Do all roads (gates) lead to God? **A.** Yes, they do. But only one road/gate leads to God and eternal life. All others lead to death and eternal separation from God. **Matt 7:13-14**
7. What is the big problem that all humanity has? **A.** Sin. Every human who has ever lived, except Jesus, sinned. **Romans 3:10-12 & 6:23**
8. What is the only way to deal with sin? **A.** Repent, confess our sin and come to Jesus for forgiveness. **Acts 2:21 & 3:19**

Talk to your group about (1) creating profiles on the Calvary App so your group can create a group chat on the app. Let Pastor Josh know so he can set your group up for you. (2) Encourage your group to read ahead. (3) Please remember to fill out the LIFEgroup meeting assessment form after your meeting. Here is the link: <https://bit.ly/LIFEgroup-Assessment>

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The Resurrection

John 11:25-26

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