

SMALL GROUP STARTER GUIDE

"The Resurrection" from 11/15 and 11/18

JOKE

Have you been here?

I've been in many places, but I've never been in Kahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Kahoots with someone.

I've also never been in Cognito. I hear no one recognizes you there.

I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my children, friends, family, and boss.

I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.

I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand firm.

Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm getting older.

I may have been in Continent, but I don't remember what country that was in. It's an age thing. They tell me it is very wet and damp there.

HOOK

What does the word resurrection mean to you?

BOOK

Read Luke 24:1-35.

LOOK

What do you think the women were thinking about as they walked to Jesus grave?

What were the women worried about?

What hope did the angels give the women, and how do those words still bring us hope today?

Why do you think so many doubted God's power to raise Jesus from the dead?

In what ways do we still doubt God's power in our lives?

Where do you think God is asking you to "jump into" faith today?

What did the stone being rolled away from the tomb signify?

Here are five reasons why we can believe in the Resurrection:

- 1. Over 500 people witnessed Jesus alive.
- 2. On twelve different occasions over forty days, Jesus met with people.
- 3. The women were eyewitnesses to the empty tomb.
- 4. All four of the Gospels tell different accounts, but with the same conclusion, Jesus had risen!
- 5. The disciples were willing to die for the resurrected Jesus. Many of them experienced torture as they held on to the truth.

TOOK

Why do you believe in the power of the Resurrection, not just for Jesus but in your life today?

PRAY

Share prayer requests with your group. Pray that the same power that resurrected Jesus from the dead can also resurrect you with power, faith, and hope in your life today.