HOME GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Easter Sunday, April 4th, 2021

John 20 — Doug Horner — Easter Sunday

1. Take a moment to reflect on Easter Sunday and the resurrection of Jesus. What does the resurrection mean for you and for me?

2. In John 20:1-10, when Peter and John went to the tomb, it says three different times that they "saw" something. First, John *saw* (blep \bar{o} – to see, look upon) Jesus' clothes lying there as he stood outside the tomb. Then Peter went in and *saw* (the \bar{o} re \bar{o} – to consider, observe) the linen clothes and face cloth. Finally, John entered the tomb and *saw* (eid \bar{o} – to know, to perceive) and believed.

- How do these words depict the formation of faith and realization in the hearts of Peter and John?
- How can faith develop within us in regards to who Jesus is?
- How can we put ourselves in positions so that our faith can grow?
- 3. Read the words of the angels to Mary when she arrived at the empty tomb in Luke 24:5.
 - Mary was looking for the living among the dead. In what ways do we often seek life in things that are dead?
 - Read Romans 6:20-23. We often look for life in sin but what should we expect to find when we walk in sin? Why is life ultimately only found in Jesus?

4. Read John 10:7-10 and Romans 5:2.

- How do we "enter into" the life that Jesus has for us?
- In what ways is the life that Jesus offers "abundant"?
- Why is Jesus able to offer us this life?

5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:15. As we move beyond Easter 2021, how should we live in response to the death and resurrection of Jesus? How can we live this way?