



# Resurrection Hope

## Small Group Study Questions

Sermon on March 10, 2024

### **1 Corinthians 15:12-19 (NASB)**

12 Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, your faith also is in vain. 15 Moreover, we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then not even Christ has been raised; 17 and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. 18 Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If we have hoped in Christ only in this life, we are of all people most to be pitied.

## DIGGING DEEPER

What are some things you are hoping for? (Allow yourself to not only share spiritual things)

Did you think about the resurrection of Jesus more last week? If so, did it make a difference in your life? If not, any reason why?

### **Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-15**

What are some popular ideas about what happens to us after we die?

If you weren't a Christian, which one would you hope for and why?

Paul's argument in these verses is a logical one. Why does Jesus' resurrection matter to him?

According to Paul, what do we do if we say there is no resurrection of the dead in verse 15? (Hint: We are false teachers because as Paul has already laid out, the resurrection of Jesus did occur and God claims it happened.)

### **Read 1 Corinthians 15:16-19**

Jesus was an example of many things. Besides his resurrection, how else is Jesus our example?

## DIGGING DEEPER

What's the difference between believing that our loved ones who have died are alive now with Jesus or believing that they have just ceased to exist when they died?

How does hoping for a future resurrection change how you live today?

How can we hold firmly the word about the resurrection of Christ this week?

## TAKING IT HOME

## PRAYER REQUEST

