

Sunday Centerpoint

Key Takeaways:

1. The resurrection is not just a past event, but a present encounter that transforms lives today.
2. We all have a God-shaped hole that only Christ can fill—worldly pursuits amplify what we already are but don't bring true fulfillment.
3. The church's mission is to "go and tell" about the living Jesus, not just gather for our own benefit.
4. Church is a battleship, not a cruise ship—we're equipped and sent on mission, not catered to for comfort.
5. Satan is active today just as Jesus is, working to spread confusion and disinformation.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why do you think Matthew tells the resurrection story in such a matter-of-fact way in only nine verses?
2. What's the significance of the women being the first witnesses to the resurrection? What does this tell us about God's values?
3. Jason mentioned that "the guards became like dead men" while the dead man became alive. What does this irony teach us about our spiritual condition without Christ?
4. Jason described us as "walking around like zombies, like the walking dead" before Christ. How would you describe your life before encountering Jesus (or what you imagine it would be like without Him)?
5. What things have you tried to use to fill the "God-shaped hole" in your life? How did those things fall short?
6. Do you view church more like a "cruise ship" or a "battleship"? Be honest. What would need to change in your perspective or involvement?
7. Jason said, "If you don't have purpose and mission in your Christian walk, you are going to find Christianity boring." Do you agree? Why or why not?
8. What fears or obstacles keep you from "going and telling" others about Jesus?
9. How have you seen Satan spread confusion or disinformation about Jesus in our culture?

Practical Applications:

1. Identify your "one person"—someone you know who doesn't have a relationship with Jesus, pray for them daily this week
2. Daily, this week, thank Jesus that He is alive & active today, not just a historical figure
3. Ask God to show you where you're trying to fill your God-shaped hole with worldly things
4. Journal this question: "Am I living a cruise ship Christianity or a battleship Christianity?"
5. Make Heaven Crowded - Create a prayer list of 3-5 people who don't know Jesus, commit to praying for them regularly and looking for opportunities to share