

OUT THERE

Part 1: What We Know

Objective: To encourage us to move live like we KNOW the resurrection of Jesus is a real event that changed the world.

Read together:

Acts 17:16-33

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2 in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world... But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

Ephesians 2:1-2, 4-5

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17

...if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. 19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead...

I Corinthians 15:17-20

- What is something you used to believe, but no longer do? Why did you believe it? What caused you to change your mind?
- When you know something, instead of just believing something, how hard is it for someone to change your mind about it?
- How does knowing God loves you, rather than just hoping he does, change the way you respond to him and to his commands?
- If you know the resurrection of Jesus is real, how does that impact the kind of life you live (especially when it comes to how you relate to other people)?
- Paul says, "***if only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.***" What does he mean by that? How does knowing the resurrection of Jesus is a true historical event give us hope for this life AND beyond?
- Based on the evidence from Scripture, the lives of others and your own life, who do you say Jesus is?

Final Thought: If the resurrection of Jesus is real, then we can live lives that are 'out there' regardless of what the world thinks or says because we have the hope and promise that there is more to this life than just this life.

This Week: Live your life so that others can see you know a truth that has changed your life and can change theirs too.

