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Let's Talk

Over the last few weeks what has challenged your understanding of some of the intellectual arguments surrounding the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus?

When was the last time you had a discussion or witnessed a discussion with either a seeker/skeptic and what did you learn from the encounter?

Have these last few weeks in the series informed/impacted how you navigate your faith? If so, in what ways?

Let's Study

1. Read Luke 24:1-6.

- What do you think about the significance Pastor Jon attributes to the women being the primary witnesses to the resurrection?

2. Read Mark 3:21, Mark 6:1-4; 1 Corinthians 15:7. Also read Acts 7:58, Acts 8:1, Acts 9:3-6.

- What did it take for James the brother of Jesus to come to believe that Jesus was indeed the Christ?
- Compare and contrast James' coming to belief to that of Saul's.
- In what way/s do their conversions authenticate the truth of the resurrection?

3. Read Mark 14:60-64, Mark 2:4-9, John 10:30-39.

- What claims or pronouncements did Jesus make that the priests and the people found so upsetting? Why was this so?
- How are these statements of Jesus so important to belief and faith in Him?



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Let's Apply

How does what you have learned in the sermon about the witness of the women, James and Paul's stories, and Jesus' claims and actions affect you - is it boring, news to you, or helpful for your life and for your ability to share the good news?

A running theme throughout the sermon has been the idea of context. The impact of the sermon requires us to have a more complete understanding of Jewish culture throughout the Old Testament. In what ways could you challenge yourself to really explore the context of the day to better strengthen your faith? What might be some good resources?

Pastor Jon shared this quote from Victor Hamilton: "The phrase 'I am that I am' means I am there with you where you are. I really am!" In what ways can we internalize this truth so that it brings us hope and comfort?

Let's Pray

Dear God,

Reveal areas in our life that we don't rely on You or don't fully trust Your plan. Challenge us to investigate Your words so that we may know You more, honour You, and tell others about You.

Give us the strength to walk alongside each other and give us grace for one another when struggling with doubt.

Challenge us to have tough conversations with those who may not know You and teach us to love them the way You love them.

Amen.

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