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## Summary

On this Resurrection Sunday, Pastor Stephanie opens this very special Church family meeting by teaching on the torn veil and what it means that God removed every barrier between humanity and Himself. The Rooted college and career group then shared personal testimonies of how Christ has made their lives better — through healing, peace, friendship, endurance, and purpose. Pastor Jaime followed with a message drawn from Acts 2:24, sharing a story of visiting a gravely ill friend and leading him to the Lord. He taught that the resurrection of Jesus is the foundation for every good thing we experience, that Jesus did not take a three-day nap in the tomb but had unfinished business — defeating Satan and taking back the keys — and that no matter how low life gets, there is always better in Christ. The service concluded with youth testimonies, a dramatic presentation of biblical characters who found their answer in Jesus, communion, an altar call, and a joyous choir of our WHFC children singing “My Story” - telling of the Hope, Love, Life, Freedom, Victory and Grace Jesus, our Savior made part of our story.

## Top Points

- The tearing of the temple veil — from top to bottom, by God — marked the end of separation between humanity and God, moving us from law to love, from sacrifice to relationship.
- Because of the resurrection, life is always better in Christ — no matter how low you find yourself, there is always hope and always a way through.
- Jesus did not take a three-day nap in the tomb. He had unfinished business: defeating Satan, disarming him, and taking back the keys — making an open spectacle of the enemy.

- When life is hard and circumstances look bad, the enemy's greatest trick is to make you question the goodness of God — the same trick used on Adam and Eve in the garden.
- Jesus came to pay a debt he didn't owe because we had a debt we couldn't pay. God is not holding your sin or your mistakes against you.
- The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead lives inside every believer and gives them the power to accomplish what God has called them to do (Romans 8:11).
- Never miss an opportunity to share the goodness of God with someone. Every person around you — at work, in your neighborhood, at the party — needs Jesus, even if they're covering it with a smile.
- The king who rose ascended and gave gifts to humanity — unlike earthly kings who receive gifts, Jesus rose and gave generously to mankind.

## Quotations

1. *"It went from law to love. It went from having to make sacrifice to the ultimate sacrifice being made and never having to do so again. It went from having to have somebody represent you to God to you walking into the throne room of God." — Pastor Stephanie*
2. *"God signified totally destroying whatever came in between He and mankind. And in the tearing of that veil, all of a sudden brought relationship." — Pastor Stephanie*
3. *"Not only does Jesus forgive all of our sins, but he also invites us into a personal relationship with him where we can call him Father. We can call him our best friend." — Christina (Rooted)*
4. *"The same Spirit that rose Jesus from the dead is the same Spirit that is living within you — and gives you the power to accomplish what God wants you to accomplish." — Marcus Quintanilla (Rooted), paraphrasing Romans 8:11*
5. *"No matter how low life... there's always better. There's always hope in Christ." — Pastor Jaime*
6. *"Jesus did not take a three-day nap. He had unfinished business." — Pastor Jaime*
7. *"The king rose from the dead, and when it's common courtesy you bring him gifts — this king rose from the dead and he gave gifts." — Pastor Jaime*
8. *"Jesus came to pay a debt he didn't owe because we had a debt we couldn't pay." — Pastor Jaime*
9. *"Your physical healing means nothing if your spirit ain't right, if your soul ain't right, man. You got to be right with God." — Pastor Jaime*
10. *"You think I went religious, but I found something further — the furthest from religious. I found reality." — Pastor Jaime*
11. *"You heard about him. I know him." — Pastor Jaime*
12. *"It was never our burden to keep. This world is loud. But today the tomb is empty, and the price was already paid." — Kayla Garza (Rooted)*