OHC G2 Week #2 Spring Block 2024 (Ephesians 1:19-20)

QUICK REVIEW: Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, convicted or confused you?

MY STORY: Tell of a time in your life where you faced obstacles and struggles but you persevered by focusing on the reward at the end. (delayed gratification)

Read or Tell the Story: Matthew 28:2-7 What was the first command that the angel gave to the women upon discovering that Jesus had risen? Likewise, what should we do with this same discovery?

DIGGING DEEPER: Read: Ephesians 1:18-21

What leads to a greater love and stronger faith in God?

As your eyes are opened to the incomparable power of God demonstrated in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, what is the result in your life?

What is the meaning of Christ being seated at God's "right hand in the heavenly realms"?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:54-55 For believers, is death an enemy or a friend? Explain.

Read John 8:24 What is death for those who reject God's Son?

Read John 5:24 According to Jesus, at what point do we gain eternal life?

Read John 11:25-26 What is significant (and personal to us) that Jesus says in His declaration that He **is** the resurrection and the life?

MEMORIZE ONE: "I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against You."

John 14:1-3, Philippians 1:20-21, Isaiah 25:8, Hebrews 2:14-15

TAKING IT HOME: Do you have any additional thoughts or take-aways

Matthew 28:2-7 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. **3** His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. **4** The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. **6** He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. **7** Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

Ephesians 1:18-21 18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, **19** and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength **20** he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, **21** far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

1 Corinthians 15:54-55 54 When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." **55** "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

John 8:24 I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am he, you will indeed die in your sins."

John 5:24 "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

John 11:25-26 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; **26** and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 14:1-3 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in Goda; believe also in me. **2** My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

Philippians 1:20-21 20 I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Isaiah 25:8 he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken.

Hebrews 2:14-15 14 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil— 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.