

# He Lives! ¡Él vive!

**What difference can Jesus make in our lives?  
¿Qué diferencia puede hacer Jesús en nuestras vidas?**

1. Jesus gives us \_\_\_\_\_ in life.  
Jesús nos da un \_\_\_\_\_ en la vida.  
Luke 24:1 (Lucas 24:1)

2. Jesus gives us \_\_\_\_\_ in times of doubt.  
Jesús nos da \_\_\_\_\_ en tiempos de duda.  
Luke 24:2-3 (Lucas 24:2-3)

3. Jesus gives us \_\_\_\_\_ in times of fear.  
Jesús nos da \_\_\_\_\_ en tiempos de miedo.  
Luke 24:5 (Lucas 24:4-5)

4. Jesus gives us \_\_\_\_\_ news to share.  
Jesús nos da \_\_\_\_\_ noticias para compartir.  
Luke 24:6-8 (Lucas 24:6-8)  
Luke 24:46-48 (Lucas 24:46-48)



# Life Group Discussion Questions

Easter: April 5, 2026

Scripture: Luke 24:1-12

For many people Easter is just a diversion from all the bad news in the world today. Unfortunately, they don't realize that the message of Easter is much more than a *diversion* from bad news. The true message of Easter is the *solution* for all the bad news in the world today.

The celebration of Easter is not about bunnies, colored eggs, or candy. All those things are fun for the kids, but the focus of our celebration should be on the resurrection of Jesus Christ, because the resurrection changes everything. The message of Easter is not just for kids; the gospel is good news for everyone. This is a message of hope that is especially relevant for people in our world today.

The message of the gospel is the good news that Jesus went to the cross and took the punishment for our sins. He was put to death and buried in a tomb. But on the third day He rose from the dead giving us the hope of eternal life.

## Read Luke 24:1-12

1. What did the women take to the tomb of Jesus? (24:1)

Mark Moore writes,

On Friday afternoon (Lk 23:56) and Saturday evening (Mk 16:1) these pious women busied themselves purchasing and preparing a fragrant ointment for Jesus' burial. By Sunday morning it would be a little late to cover up the stench of decomposition, and somewhat unnecessary since Nicodemus had already provided some 75 lbs. of ointment for the job. Nonetheless, anointing a dead body was an act of devotion and love of which these women will not be deprived. (Moore, 659)

2. What did the women find when they arrived at the tomb? (24:2-3)

3. What happened in verse 4?

4. How did the women respond to the angels in verse 5?

5. What question did the angels ask in verse 5?

6. What did the angels tell the women in verse 6?

7. What words of Jesus did the women remember? (24:7-8)

Mark Black notes,

The words, “He is not here; he has risen!” should remind the women of Jesus’ prophecies concerning his resurrection. The women are then given a summary of Jesus’ words from 9:22; 9:44; and 18:32-33, some of which were spoken in Galilee. They remember the prophetic words of Jesus, and they finally understand them. (Black, 387)

8. What did the women do in verse 9?

All four Gospels state that women were the first witnesses of the empty tomb. This is strong evidence that the writers are telling the truth. Josh and Sean McDowell explain,

If one were to fabricate an empty tomb and risen Jesus in first-century Mediterranean culture, one would not cite women as eyewitnesses, given their low status as credible witnesses in the eyes of the people and the courts. It is therefore reasonable to think that what is recorded actually happened. Why would the gospel writers make up these details to support their story? They knew their culture far better than we do, and if they were making up a tale, they would not begin it with a story to cast their new religion in such a poor light. It would not be a proper way to begin their myth. Scripture’s identification of women as the first witnesses of the empty tomb thus supports the historical veracity of the accounts. (McDowell, 261)

9. What did the apostles think when they heard the words of the women? (24:11)

Leon Morris writes,

But the lordly males were not impressed. They thought the story ‘nonsense’ (NEB), and they did not believe them. The apostles were not men poised on the brink of belief and needing only the shadow of an excuse before launching forth into a proclamation of resurrection. They were utterly skeptical. Even when women they knew well told them of their experiences, they refused to believe. Clearly irrefutable evidence was needed to convince these skeptics. (Morris, 354)

10. What did Peter do in verse 12?

11. What did Peter think when he saw the empty tomb? (24:12)

Black observes,

Peter is at least curious, if not yet a believer. He runs to the tomb and finds the strips of linen but not the body of Jesus. Peter leaves the tomb, wondering to himself what had happened. While this is hardly a statement of faith, it should not be taken as a complete lack of faith. Peter's "wonder" may suggest his awareness that Jesus may have risen. (Black,387)

12. Why is the resurrection of Jesus so important to our faith?

13. Why are Christians sometimes reluctant to tell others about Christ?

14. How did the women show their devotion to Jesus even before they knew He was alive?

15. Why did the disciples doubt the resurrection even though Jesus had told them that He would rise from the dead?

16. What does this passage teach us about sharing our faith?

17. What should we do when people reject our testimony about Christ?

18. How can our actions help or hinder our testimony about Christ?

19. How will you share your faith with someone this week?

20. How can you prepare yourself for the next time someone criticizes your faith?

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