STUDY GUIDE

PASTOR JARED HERD - ZOE PART 5

Pastor Jared continued the series "Zoe: Seven Invitations to Life." We are examining the seven "I am" statements of Jesus in the Book of John, where Jesus teaches us how to live life to the fullest. This week's message came from John 11:25 where Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection." Pastor Jared taught that the Resurrection isn't just a promise of life <u>after</u> you die; it is demonstrated in the promise of life <u>before</u> you die.

As you reflect on Pastor Jared's message, what did you learn? How will it affect the way you view or do life?

BIBLE STUDY

Read John 11:1-27

1. Pastor Jared talked about how the spread of Christianity was not the result of careful planning, but the result of an explosion of joy. The reason for this explosion is that Jesus is not just a moral example; He is our Resurrection. He not only defeated death for Himself, but for us as well. How might living life with Jesus only being our moral example differ from living life where Jesus is our Resurrection? What are some real-life examples of how we might live with death being a defeated enemy?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-28, 55-56

2. What are the key words and phrases that jump out at you? What questions does this passage raise for you? Why is death an uncomfortable topic for people? According to this passage, how should we, as Christ followers, view death differently than the world? What gets in the way and hinders us from living with a Resurrection mindset?

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LIFE APPLICATION

For everyone:

When you think about death and dying, what feelings are stirred in you? In what areas of your life could you better demonstrate a Resurrection mindset? What are some specific changes you can begin to make this week?

For those who are married:

Francis Chan writes that my job on earth is not to make my spouse a better earthly spouse, but to better prepare him or her for Heaven. How can you better encourage your spouse to have a Resurrection mindset? How can you be a better example for him or her?

For parents:

Read the VOTW below. There is no more important truth you can teach your children than to trust Jesus with their life, both now and for all eternity. We can reinforce that truth in them through things like a weekly family Bible Study, praying with them at meals and before bed, and asking them about how Jesus was a part of their day. What are some other ways we can do that? What specific steps will you take this week to better reinforce that truth in them?

WHAT'S HAPPENING

VBS Registration Open now - 2 y.o. through 5th Grade

Camp Registration Open now - Middle and High School

Join a Team Pick up a Serve Menu in the atrium

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SERVE TOGETHER

Choose a weekend service to GREET together on the front porch as a group.

May 26-28

Safe Families Meeting March 18 - 12:45pm

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