

**Easter**  
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**Reflection Focus:**

Jesus is our hope for more than we can see. Death is not the end of the story. Our hopeless searches can't stop life from bursting forth where it seems impossible. Do you believe this? Or are you stuck searching for "the living among the dead?" When doing so hasn't given life as hoped, do you think "He (God) is not here?" Or is He risen in your life? Either way, Christ wants to bring death back to life. He is seeking to do so in your life today. We can see Him doing so in our world, even in this tough moment. Jesus is seeking to give us His peace through rest and through being a part of His work in the world. Let's be resurrected by entering into his peaceful presence in all things.

**Passage:** Luke 24:1-8, 36 (NIV):

*1 On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. 5 In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? 6 He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 7 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' "* 8 Then they remembered his words.

**36** *While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."*

**Reflection Questions (Use any of these questions you or your small group find helpful):**

1. What spoke to or encouraged you in our Easter gathering? Where are you looking for hope in this moment?
2. **(Luke 24:5):** "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" Where or how do you do so?
3. **(Luke 24:6A):** When are you prone to start believing "He is not here"? How are you doing so in our current moment/season? What happened to get you there?
4. **(Luke 24:6B, 8):** What would it mean if Christ was to be "risen" above that part of your life, story, relationships, fears? How can you more easily "remember" the ways Christ is bringing your story back to life each day?
5. **(Luke 24:36):** How is Christ seeking to give you His peace? To bring rest and peaceful relief? Or to have you become an ambassador of his peace He has given you?
6. How can we pray for/help support you in "being the church" in response to your answers to the above questions? Feel free to email [info@aseattlechurch.com](mailto:info@aseattlechurch.com)