

# Discussion Questions

## April 4 – 10

If you missed the weekend sermon, you can find it here:

<https://www.biblechapel.org/sermons/>

1. What is your favorite Easter memory from childhood? (For the Moore kids it was getting Easter baskets. When they are home for Easter—even in their 20's and 30's—my wife Lori still fixes them Easter baskets 😊)
2. What did you take away from the smokejumper's story? What are some of the things that weigh you down and slow you down in your spiritual journey?
3. Read **1 Corinthians 15:17-22**. Discuss why Paul says, "If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied?"
4. Review SSAFE (In Christ we are: Significant. Secure. Accepted. Forgiven. Empowered.) Which of these truths stands out to you the most in your current season of life?
5. Review the dialogue between Martha and Jesus (John 11:17-27 and John 11:38-40). What is the promise Jesus gives in his "I AM the resurrection and the life" statement? After Martha's great confession of faith (11:27) why is Martha hesitant and perplexed when Jesus asks to move the stone from the tomb? What is one application you're taking away from this weekend's message overall?

## Bible References

### **1 Corinthians 15:17-22**

*<sup>17</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup> Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup> If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.*

### **John 11:17-27**

*<sup>17</sup> Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup> So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup> She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."*

### **John 11:38-40**

*<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"*

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