



## **SBSG – Sermon Series – Quitter: Looking for the living among the dead**

### **The Purpose of a Sermon Based Small Group (to be read at the beginning of each gathering)**

The purpose of our small group is to actively pursue Christ through relationships, as we worship, serve, and belong together.

### **READ ALOUD BY ALL (allow this prayer to shape your time together)**

**Dear God, help me in this dialogue to be humble & suspend judgment. I recognize that we are all created in your image. Give me courage to stay curious about each other by asking questions. Thank you, God, for this opportunity to meet together and in so doing grow closer to you. AMEN**

**Sermon Series:** Quitter

**Opening question:** Why is it that we feel guilty when we quit something?

**Sermon Synopsis:** Sometimes we get caught up in the routine of our daily life, without stepping back and realizing that many of the things we participate in detract from our life rather than add to it. When the first people to the tomb found it empty on Easter morning, they were asked "Why are you looking for the living among the dead?" What things that don't bring about abundant life are we called to quit?

### **Bible Reading**

Reading the Bible is about reading for practice and spiritual formation – spiritual formation, in which the reader seeks to be formed by the Spirit of God.

**Passage(s) from the sermon:** Luke 24:1-12 (NRSV)

What questions do you have about the passages/sermon?

What do you feel God is saying to you through this passage?

**Discipleship Point:** Only living things give life.

What things that don't bring about abundant life are we called to quit?

### **Prayer**

Share a one or two sentence prayer request with the Small Group for this next week. Remember these prayer requests are about your life not someone else's.

### **(Sample Prayer)**

God, we thank you for your presence with us. We lift up these requests to you knowing that you care deeply about us...we pray for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and (fill in prayer requests) ... God we know that you have heard our request and we release all outcomes to you and your glory. It's in your Son's name Jesus that we pray...**AMEN.**