JESUS IS ALIVE
DISCUSSION GUIDE

SUMMARY:

Death could not hold our Savior, Jesus Christ!

After His gruesome crucifixion, Christ was sealed tightly in a borrowed tomb by a very large stone. But on the third day, He rose miraculously and victoriously from the sleep of death. Jesus is Alive! Yet, on this Easter we'll consider a question posed by Paul in His first letter to the Corinthians. Suppose that the resurrection of Jesus had not happened? What if Easter didn't exist?

Key Passage: 1 Corinthians 15:12-19
Be sure to read this Scripture passage together before you proceed to the "Grow" section of our study.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

KNOW: Spend some time finding out how everyone's week has gone.
The questions in this section provide a guide for connectivity; feel free to approach this part of your group time organically over a meal or "connection" activity or with questions appropriate to your context.
What is something that you are thankful for this week?
What is something that is causing you stress or concern this week?
Who in your life is in need of prayer, physical help, or emotional encouragement right now?

GROW: Grow in the Lord as you engage His Word together.
When did the reality of the resurrection of Christ first impact you?

Verses 12-19 and 29-32 highlight some of the devastating implications that would be true if Jesus hadn't really been raised from the dead. Which one feels most devastating to you right now? Why?

Why do you think some people have a problem with the concept of Jesus' physical resurrection? Do you ever think that your Christianity is grounded in "blind faith?"

GO: Talk through ways you can put what you've learned into practice.
Do you live in such a way that if the resurrection was proved to be false that your life would then be a life to be pitied? How so?

Has studying this passage in any way challenged your understanding about who God is and what He's like?

How can you live the implications of the resurrection to the fullest? Try to be as specific as you can.