

Victory

Easter Sunday - April 12, 2020 Selected Scriptures Questions for Study and Group Discussion

- 1. What are you doing (or what can you do) this year to make Easter meaningful for you and your family?
- 2. This year most of our plans for Easter have changed significantly. Why is it important to reflect on what doesn't change, and what won't change, about Easter celebrating Jesus' resurrection from the dead?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 and summarize what Paul is calling our attention to here. What does this passage have to do with Easter?
- 4. Why does Paul say this is "of first importance" (1 Corinthians 15:3)? How do we reflect this priority practically?
- 5. Now read 1 Corinthians 15:50-57. What "victory" (see v. 57) does Jesus' resurrection provide for those who follow Him?
- 6. What happens if we overlook or minimize this victory Jesus provides?
- 7. How can the victory over death that Jesus brings offer you hope and perspective right now?
- 8. The victory that Jesus' resurrection provides isn't only an assurance for the future; it also brings life and perspective to the present. Read Acts 9:1-19; Philippians 3:7-9; and Romans 6:3-4. How did the reality of Jesus' resurrection reorient Paul's life in the present?
- 9. How does reality of Jesus' resurrection affect your own life in the present? How does it transform the trajectory of your life and reorient your values? What does it look like to walk in the "newness of life" (Romans 6:3-4) that our risen Jesus offers?
- 10. What big take-away are you taking away from what you've read and discussed? How practically can you live in light of this, this coming week?

Challenge - Memorize 1 Corinthians 15:57

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.