

Bible Study for Life Groups to use as follow-up to this weeks sermon.

MYTH BUSTING SERIES IS HE ALIVE?

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How do you celebrate Easter? Share with your group the family traditions or unique activities you do to make this day special. If you spend time with extended family, are they believers? If not, is the issue of your faith and Christ's resurrection discussed?

I Corinthians 15

And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. (v. 17) What is the key to Christ's claims that He is God? Why is this central to the Christian faith?

Discuss how you would defend the statement in verses 3 and 4 **Christ died for our sins according to the Scripture, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.** Review them one by one remembering key teaching from the sermon.

Christ died.

How would you deny the swoon theory? What witnesses confirmed his death?

Christ was buried.

Whose grave was he lain in? Who buried Him, guarded Him and reported to the priest His body was gone?

Christ was resurrected.

Who did Jesus appear to first? Why is this significant? How long was Jesus on earth before He ascended to heaven and how many people did He appear to? How were their lives changed after witnessing the resurrected Christ?

Of all the evidence presented that Christ is the Son of God and Savior of the world, what convinced you the most to become a follower of Christ?

APPLICATION:

Take time to thank God for the beauty of new life springing up all around us in nature and for the new life you have because of Christ's sacrifice.

Pray for the spiritual eyes of a friend or family member to be opened up to the truth of God's love and purpose for them.

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