LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

APRIL 20 - APRIL 26, 2025

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WELCOME - (5-10 MINUTES)

Welcome Everyone. Introduce yourself and any new individuals.

Have a member read ALL of the group goals and ONE guideline.



BREAK THE ICE:
What's your favorite Easter candy?

Sharing Is Caring!
Share the ministry and take turns planning the worship, facilitating the agenda or bringing snacks or drinks.

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WORSHIP ACTIVITY - (10-15 MINUTES)

Ask the Life Group to stand-up & sing together. If your group meets in public, ask a member to text out a song before the meeting and have everyone worship on the way!

SUNDAY IS COMING by PHIL WICKHAM

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WORD - (15-20 MINUTES) READ JOHN 20:1-17

1. Who went to the tomb and what did they find?
2. How did each person react to the empty tomb?
3. What was Jesus's interaction with Mary? How did she respond?
4. What thoughts do you think came to mind when Mary, Peter and the other disciple realized that Jesus' body was no longer in the tomb?
5. Why do you think the Angels and Jesus both ask Mary "Dear, woman, why are you crying?"
6. Why do you think Mary recognized Jesus after He said her name?
7. How does the knowledge of Christ's resurrection and the empty tomb influence your perspective on life's challenges?
8. When they saw the empty tomb, they understood Jesus's previous teaching about rising from the dead. How can understanding the Scripture help you live your daily life?
9. How is Jesus calling your name and prompting you to respond to Him?

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WITNESS - (10-15 MINUTES)

BREAKOUT TIME: Break into smaller, like-gendered groups of 3-4. Address the following question(s):

- How have you found hope in your times of grief?
- Is your faith challenged or encouraged by the empty tomb?
- Jesus told Mary to go share the Good News. How are we actively sharing the Good News with our **F.R.A.N.**'s (**F**riends, **R**elatives, **A**ssociates and **N**eighbors)?
- Spend some time praying for those that attended the Easter weekend services and those you have been witnessing to.

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CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

- **One of the most important practices of a healthy Life Group is shared ministry! Pass around a notebook, paper or type it in the "chat" box and ask people to sign-up for:**
  - **Facilitating the discussion**
  - **Preparing the worship time**
  - **Ministering to the children**
  - **Bringing the drinks or snacks**
  - **Have Break-out Group Facilitators**
  - **Reading the Goals and ONE Guideline**
  - **Hosting Life Group next month online or in-person**
  - **OR something that your Life Group needs!**
- High School Graduation Recognition is coming up on **Sunday, May 4th, 2025.** We will recognize all our High School graduates in our worship services. Please complete the registration form to sign up for the Graduate Recognition. Registration closes ***April 30th***.
- **Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11, 2025.We honor all women who serve as mothers, both biological and spiritual, and offer our gratitude for their love and guidance. We also remember those who are grieving on this day and offer our support.**
- Summer will be here before we know it. Have you secured your child(ren)'s spot yet for Summer Camp? We have a camp for your kiddos with KidzTown (1st - 4th), Midpoint (5th - 7th) and the Social (8th - 12th). For more information, speak with your campus ministry leader.