



Your Life Depends on It
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Discuss the significance of your Easter traditions. Do you currently celebrate the resurrection of Christ differently than in the past? If so, why?

Read: Matthew 28:6

What does Christ's resurrection mean to you and how does it affect your faith? Why is it central to the Christian faith?

Read: 1 Corinthians 15:3-6 & 1 Corinthians 15:17-19

How do these verses speak to the importance of our belief in the resurrection of Christ? Why does our faith depend on it?

Read: 1 Peter 3:15

If you were asked why you believe that Christ rose from the dead, what would be your answer? (The book Ted mentioned at the beginning of his sermon is titled "The Case for Easter" by Lee Strobel and is available on amazon for \$3.59 and kindle for \$1.99.)

Read: Ephesians 2:12-13 & John 1:12

What is the difference between an "image bearer" of God and a "child" of God? How does each affect hope?

Ephesians 1:18-20

Ted mentioned five different ways that we tend to rely on ourselves for our salvation. Do you find yourself relying on any of the following instead of the power of God?

- "I'll fix it"
- "I'll be good"
- "I am loving"
- "I attend church"
- "I give to charity"

What practical things can we do to focus on living in the power of God and not under the falsehood that we are in control? How should this affect how we view and deal with our own sin?

Here is the link to "The Man on the Middle Cross Said I Could Come" with Alistaire Begg that Ted mentioned. It's less than 4 minutes long and well worth the time if you have the means to share with your group: <https://youtu.be/GDI8euKhd3U>