

The Good News of the Resurrection March 31, 2024

There are 2 types of skeptics: 1) those who doubt that the resurrection took place and 2) those who doubt the power of the resurrection. Which one are you? How does this affect your faith?

Read John 20:1-8. Why do you think John paused going into the tomb? Would you be the one pausing at the entrance or running in without a second thought? How do you think seeing the empty tomb before seeing the resurrected Jesus affected the disciples?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-4. Ted stresses how Jesus loves you in your unbelief, but you're not reconciled to God in your unbelief. Explain what this means to you. Why is this distinction so important?

Jesus died and rose again, and to be saved, you must believe in that. How does the resurrection impact how you understand and share the gospel?

Read Romans 10:9-10. Discuss how your goodness, effort, church attendance, kindness, and heritage have absolutely nothing to do with your salvation.

Read Acts 1:3 and 1 Corinthians 15:5-8 How does this affect your skepticism? How can you use this truth to help others who are letting skepticism hold them back?

Discuss a time when you believed the resurrection but just weren't "feeling it". How does this affect your prayer life? How does it affect your witness?

Read Philippians 3:10 What does it mean to be skeptical about the power of the resurrection?

Ted said if you know Christ and believe in the power of the resurrection, there is no such thing as an impossible situation. With that in mind, as you turn to prayer, what is something that seems impossible that you need to pray about this week? Can you bring this to Christ and trust in His resurrecting power? Consider sharing your need with your small group as you close in prayer. There is power in His resurrection, and there is power in prayer.