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The Snake Crusher Rises

Matthew 28:1-15

Remember

Spend some time catching up as a group.

Talk about your Easter Weekend. What was special for you?

Deepen

The Snake Crusher Dies

We spent a considerable time talking about the horrific nature of Jesus' death. The Cross was dehumanizing as Jesus endured mockery, shame and physical torment. How does the Cross display both the wrath of God against sin and the love of God for sinners?

What do the following passages say about the Cross of Jesus?

- 1 John 2:1-2
- Romans 3:25-26
- Titus 2:11-14

The Snake Crusher Lives

What strikes you most about the account of the resurrection of Jesus in Matthew 28?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-19. Why does the resurrection matter in this passage?

When you think about all the reasons that the Resurrection matters, what feels most helpful to you right now? Why?

Transform

Read Acts 2:22-36.

This is Peter's first sermon after the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. How does he speak of the Cross of Jesus and the Resurrection of Jesus?

Read Acts 2:37-41

Discuss the response of the people to Peter's message.

How do you need to respond in a fresh way to the reality of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection?

Close in Prayer