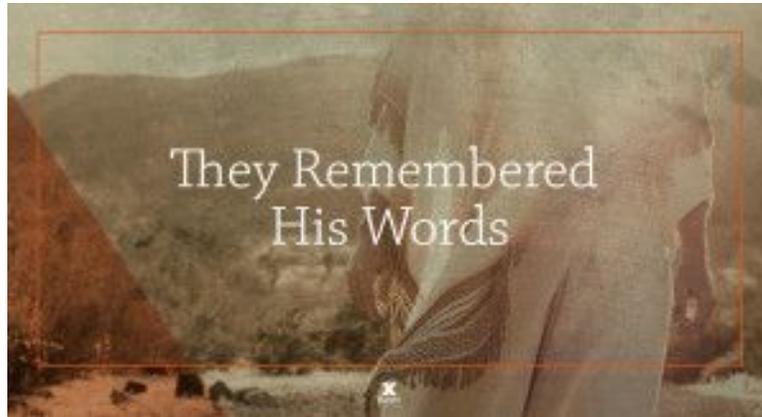


Luke: Week 16



Ice Breaker

Which do you prefer, a Cadbury Egg or jelly beans?

Scripture:

Luke 24 New International Version (NIV)

24 On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. **2** They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, **3** but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. **4** While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. **5** In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? **6** He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: **7** 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" **8** Then they remembered his words.

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Discussion Questions

Question #1

On Maundy Thursday and Good Friday we looked at three different people in the Easter story. The first was Peter. Peter walked with Jesus everyday for three years. Why did he turn his back on the Lord so quickly?

Are we vulnerable in the same way? Do we deny Jesus out of fear, embarrassment or anything else?

If that has happened, what should we do?

Question #2

Read the following account from John, that occurred after Jesus had risen on Easter.

***John 21:7-17** Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. **8** The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards.[c] **9** When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.*

10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." **11** So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. **12** Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. **13** Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. **14** This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Jesus Reinstates Peter

15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

16 Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

17 The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?"

He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

What do you think Jesus was doing for Peter here?

When you have ignored, defied, or denied the Lord, do you seek restoration - or do you avoid time alone with Him?

Question #3

Pilate disregarded Jesus, because of the pressure and irritation of the people around him. Have you let other people tarnish your view of Christ?

Maybe you know someone else who wants nothing to do with Jesus, because of what they have seen from other "christians" or because of pressure from those who hate Jesus. How can you reach them?

Jesus was arrested and crucified, and Barabas was set free. How has Jesus taken your place and personally set you free?

Question #4

In the Scripture we read first, the angel asks the women, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is Risen!" What is the significance of Jesus rising from the dead? Would it have been enough for Him to have only died for us?

Do we remember that He is Risen, and that we have complete access to the throne of God?

How would remembering and truly believing that change you?



Question #5

On Easter morning, everything Jesus had said began to make sense. Have you ever experienced His promises or words suddenly making sense in your own life?

Are there things you are still waiting to understand?

Question #6

What has God said about you that you need to remember? Is it that you are fearfully and wonderfully made? Is it simply that He loves you? Is it that you are forgiven?

What has God spoken to you through His word, through prayer, or through another believer, that you need to remember?

Close in Prayer

Prayer is a great time to grow together as a group. Ask your group members for prayer concerns, and take turns praying for one another today and throughout the week!

Remind your group to spend time with God this week, and that the Devotions are available on Foundrychurch.net