



TALK IT OVER

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BOTTOM LINE

People ultimately weren't convinced to follow Jesus because of what He taught. They became convinced because of what they saw.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What's an Easter tradition you enjoy? Anything unique to your family?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointeorg.com/daily
- Two minutes with Dr. Stanley on [how God tests us](#).

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. John 3:16–17 NIV

When Jesus served as a sacrifice for our sins, he solved the sin problem for good – not only ours, but the whole world's. 1 John 2:2 MSG

God took the sinless Christ and poured into him our sins. Then, in exchange, he poured God's goodness into us! 2 Corinthians 5:21 TLB

Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we've been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven – and the future STARTS NOW! 1 Peter 1:3-4 MSG

“The story of the resurrection is more than just a story – it is a story that intersects with all of our stories. The resurrection gives Jesus the authority to speak on all of life. The resurrection makes sense of everything Jesus taught.” – Dwight Mason

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Think about the environment of the resurrection. We have heard the story hundreds of times, but this was the first time the disciples ever heard it. What do you think it was like for them to believe? As much as they loved Jesus, they had checked out when He died. What exactly caused them to re-engage? What does it mean to really understand how long, deep, wide, high – extravagant – the love of God is? What difference does it make to “get it”? Discuss what it means to truly believe in Christ. Why does it matter that Jesus didn't come to condemn the world? How does belief in the risen Jesus impact your life? What “eyewitness evidence” do you have in your own life that Jesus is alive and has authority to speak truth into all of life? How can you share that with others? With whom?

ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I believe Jesus Christ died for my sins, rose in power, and has the authority and ability to handle all of life. I will fully engage in my faith, following His words and example, sharing His love with others. I will share my faith in words and actions by _____

My Action Step: _____