

# “On the third day He rose from the dead”

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## Why does the Resurrection matter?

1. It matters because it \_\_\_\_\_
2. It matters because it \_\_\_\_\_
3. It matters because it \_\_\_\_\_
4. It matters because it \_\_\_\_\_

## In the beginning, and at the end:

1. We are right with \_\_\_\_\_
2. We are right with \_\_\_\_\_
3. We are right with \_\_\_\_\_
4. We are right with \_\_\_\_\_

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. How has the resurrection of Jesus impacted your life? How have you experienced it?
2. When it comes to the historical events of the resurrection, how hard or how easy is it for you to believe it? If it has been hard, what has helped you accepted it through faith?
3. When it comes to the theological truth of the resurrection, how have you viewed it? Did you see it at an expression of proof that Jesus was who he said he was? Did it have value beyond that? Share how you've integrated the truth of the resurrection in your life and faith.
4. When it comes to our personal journey of sanctification and transformation, what role has the resurrection played in your life? When you read Romans 8:11, what impact does or

would that have on your life if it is true?

5. When it comes to the larger story of the resurrection, do you agree with NT Wright's conclusion that it “changes everything” and that “we have a job to do!”? Have you viewed the resurrection in this way? If not, how else have you viewed the resurrection?
6. What would it mean for your life in the next week, month, or year if you were to live as though the resurrection of Jesus did mean everything has changed, and God is on the move to restore humanity, here and now?

## DIG DEEPER:

This week dig deeper in one or more of the following ways:

- If you find yourself struggling with the historical or theological truth of the resurrection, pick up the book *Surprised by Hope* by NT Wright
- Make time this week to be in creation, and if possible, away from the busyness of city life. As you linger, reflect on what God meant at the end of his creation process when He said it was all “Very Good.”
- If you find yourself struggling with a broken or hurting part of your life, reach out to a fellow believer or a pastor at Eastbrook to walk with you and bring the resurrection power of Jesus into your pain.