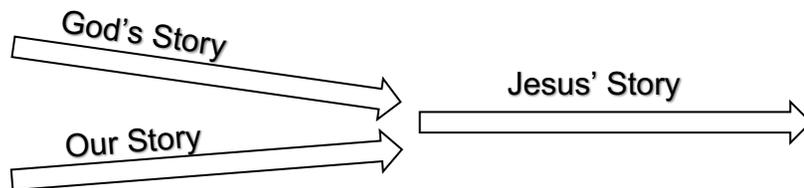


EASTER SUNDAY

“The good news of Jesus is not just a message that sinners are saved by; it is a message that saved people live by.”
~ (re)union Study Guide

APPETIZER: The Story of Jesus is the Story of God

We are invited to join in the story of Jesus, which is the story of God.



Every generation of Christ-followers gets to receive and pass on the good news of Jesus. We are all welcome into this chain of communication and communion.

DINE IN: The Ministry of Reminding

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. 2 By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

TAKE OUT: Letting Our Story Unite with Jesus' Story

ASK: Where am I at in relation to the story of Jesus, today, Easter Sunday, 2019?

PRAY: Dear God, thank you for entering into and embracing my story. Help me enter into and embrace yours.

NEXT SUNDAY: We continue our series “The Death & Life of God”

Home Church Questions

HANGOUT [Warming Up to the Topic – in one Large Group]

1. Talk about the Easter weekend services. What stood out to you from Good Friday and/or Easter Sunday? Do you sense that God spoke to you? What did you hear?

HEAR [Listening to God through Scripture – in Discussion Groups]

2. Read **1 Corinthians 15:1-8**.
 - a. In your own words, what is the gospel (the good news of Jesus)?
 - b. Paul takes time to “remind” his readers of the gospel they already know. (See **2 Peter 1:12-15**, where the apostle Peter does the same thing.) What aspects of the gospel do you need reminding of these days?
 - c. Paul shows concern that it is possible to believe the gospel “in vain” by not holding to it firmly. What are some sub-gospel messages we might settle for when we let go of the true gospel?
 - d. What is the significance of Paul’s phrase “and last of all” when talking about how Jesus appeared to him?
 - e. Luke calls this message that Paul preached the message of “the kingdom of God” (**Acts 28:31**). In what ways is the gospel Paul is preaching in **1 Corinthians 15** a message about the kingdom? (Also see **verses 20-26**.)
 - f. Paul tied his own story into the gospel story. All evangelism is strengthened by testimony. We’ve already described the gospel. Now take time to share your testimony – how your own story is woven into the story of Jesus. Aim for two minutes each and talk about how Jesus has changed your life. (And if that’s not where you are at spiritually, just talk about that.)

HUDDLE [Making It Personal and Praying Together – in Huddles]

3. Use your huddle questions and pray for one another.