

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

A Reason for Hope

Getting Started

In simple terms, how would you explain the meaning of Easter?

Digging In

1. **Read Luke 24:1-8.** Why did the women go to the tomb?
2. What happened when they got there?
3. Paraphrase the angel's statement in vss. 5-7?
4. **Read Lk 24:9-12.** How did The Eleven respond when the women told them of their experience?
5. **Read Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12**, along with **Lk 24:25-27.** Why did the Christ have to suffer?
6. Summarize what happened in Lk 24:28-35.
7. How does the resurrection of Christ give us hope of forgiveness? (Romans 1:1-4 and 4:25)
8. Why is Christ's resurrection absolutely essential for our salvation? (1 Corinthians 15:12-19)
9. How does Christ's resurrection give us the assurance of our own resurrection? (1 Cor 15:20-23)
10. **Read Romans 6:1-4.** How does Christ's resurrection give us hope of victory over sin – hope of actually experiencing new life now?



Getting Personal

- Read slowly through Luke 22-24. Try to put yourself in the place of the disciples. What would you be feeling?
- With whom do you identify in Luke 24? Explain.
- How do you think you would have responded when you finally came to believe that Jesus really had risen from the dead?
- What does the resurrection of Christ mean to you personally?
- What hope does his resurrection give you in this life and in the life to come?