

EASTER

HUB GROUP NOTES | EASTER 2022 | APRIL 17

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1 Corinthians 15:3-4 - Jesus Saves!

- 1) How many of you have ever shared Christ with someone? What was it like? Describe it to the group.
- 2) Why is it difficult to share Christ with others? Which part is particularly difficult for you?

It's scary because you don't want the person to be mad at you or think you are weird.
It's scary because you don't always know what to say or how to answer questions.
It's scary because at times you feel like you are not the perfect Christian or your walk with Christ isn't that good sometimes.
At times we are just focused on ourselves, our problems and our life.

- 3) It might be challenging because we ourselves might be unclear about how someone becomes a Christian. How does one become a Christian?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

- 4) What's the Gospel?

- *1 Corinthians 15:1-8: ¹Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ²by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you--unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. ⁶After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. ⁷After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. ⁸Then last of all He was seen by me (Paul) also, as by one born out of due time.*
- God knew that we could not pull it off so He did something about it. He sent His Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross to make payment for our sin and take away our sin. JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOUR SIN! Jesus came to earth as a God-Man, lived a sinless life here on earth for the purpose of dying on a cruel Roman Cross for you and me.
- After His death, He was buried and He rose on the 3rd day and conquered sin and death for all eternity.

5) Why is it important to Paul that his readers know Jesus was witnessed by Cephas, the Twelve, over 500 people at once, James and by him? Why should it be important to us?

6) How should someone respond to the Gospel?

We need to rely on or trust or believe that Christ died for our sins and arose.

- “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (Jn. 3:16)
- “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.” (Eph. 2:8-9)
- “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.” (Rom. 3:23-25)

7) Name someone in your life that you have been praying for or would like to start praying they would trust in Jesus.

What do you think is the #1 obstacle for him or her to come to Christ?

8) Close by having each person pray for the individuals they mentioned.

2022 BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Father, pour out your Spirit on us and move us to serve those in need.
- Father, please retire the Worship Center mortgage by 2025.
- Father, please use us to build a reproducing church among an unreached people - the Nyamwezi - by 2030.
- Father, help us walk worthy of our calling, maintaining the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (Eph. 4:1, 3)