



Announcements

101 Starting Point – Sunday, May 3rd. Come meet the pastoral team and learn about who we are and what we believe. Go to churchoftheking.com to find the times and locations for your Church of the King campus. Register at ChurchoftheKing.com/register.

Women's Night – On Tuesday, April 21, all women are invited to hear guest speaker and nationally renowned author Lysa TerKeurst at 7PM at our Little Creek Campus. Join us and bring a friend for a night of fellowship, worship, and a powerful message!

Warm-up

What special Easter traditions do you enjoy celebrating? Why do you think Easter remains a major holiday in our culture?

Today we are going to discuss the real meaning of Easter and how we can continually remember what Jesus Christ did for us with his death and resurrection.

Word and Application

Read Hebrews 10:19-20 and Hebrews 9:22. In this portion of scripture, the author of Hebrews is showing us that there is only one way to God, and that is through the sacrificial blood of his son, Jesus. The only payment for our sin is through the sinless blood of Jesus.

Jesus' death was a result of his crucifixion on the cross. This was one of the most painful and humiliating ways a person could be executed. Why do you think the cross, a symbol of pain, has also become a symbol of life and peace?

Jesus died a physical death through incredible pain, so that he could bring us life in our greatest times of pain. How have you experienced God's love and peace in times of incredible pain and difficulty?

Read Romans 8:37 and 1 Corinthians 15:55-57. The difference between Jesus' resurrection and other people who were raised from the dead is that Jesus never died again! This gives us hope because in his victory over *death*, we can have the confidence to walk in victory over *sin*.

How do these verses give you a confidence to live an overcoming life through Jesus?

Read John 3:16 and 1 Corinthians 15:17. The reason for the resurrection is to restore us to a right relationship with our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ.

How has coming into a relationship with Jesus changed your life? If you have not yet made the step of faith to enter into a saving relationship with Jesus what has been your greatest obstacle to taking that step?

How has this Easter impacted your life? Why?

Prayer

Close with a prayer by committing to trust Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior. Also, take time to pray for specific prayer requests people in your small group may want to share.

Dear Jesus,

I come to you today a sinner in need of a Savior. Thank you, Jesus, for dying on the cross for me – for shedding your blood for me. Jesus, I let go of my past and I turn to you, I turn to the cross.

Come into my life, forgive me of my sin, cleanse me with your blood and fill me with your Spirit.

Jesus, I take my life and I put it in your hands. From this day forward, I belong to you.

Amen