# John #10: The Death and Resurrection of Jesus John 19-20; Romans 6:1-14

**Objectives**: We want people to understand the significance of the death and resurrection of Jesus. We want to understand how the death and resurrection impact our lives today. We want to experience this new life in Christ.

#### Launch

Tonight we are going to look at 2 of the central events in Christianity- the death and resurrection of Jesus. Our goal tonight is to not just look at the events, but seek to understand how these events affect our lives today.

### **Explore**

In John 18 Jesus is betrayed by one of his 12 followers. They arrest him, hold a mock trial where he is falsely accused and they beat him. Knowing he is innocent; Pontius Pilate offered to set Jesus free. This is where we will pick up the story.

#### Read John 19:14-30

- The death of Jesus is baffling for many people. People often ask a great question: "why?". How would you answer that question: Why did Jesus have to die? (there are many verses you can choose to explain this. Pick your favorite. 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pe. 2:24; Ro. 8:3-4; Ro. 5:6-10; Ro. 3:21-26; 1 John 4:10)
- The last thing Jesus said before dying was "it is finished". What was he saying? (he fully paid the penalty for sin)

### Read Romans 5:6-8.

• What does it mean to you that Jesus died on the cross for you?

Let's take a few minutes to thank God that he would die on the cross so we could be in relationship with Him.

The other significant event we want to look at is his resurrection.

# Read John 20:1-18

- What stands out to you as you read the story?
- Why is the resurrection of Jesus a big deal? (1 Cor. 15:17).
- How does the resurrection of Jesus affect us today?

## **Apply**

### Read Romans 6:1-14

 According to this passage how does the death and resurrection of Christ affect our life as Christians? Write on the white board. [When we placed our trust in Christ we were united with Jesus in His death and resurrection. Dead to sin (2), no longer slaves to sin (6,7). Old Self is dead (6). Given New Life (4, 11). Sin has no dominion over you (14)]

• These things are true for anyone who as accepted the death and resurrection of Christ for their salvation. They are true when you feel close to God and they are true when you are in the midst of sin. The challenge is to live out this new reality or new life.

# Prayer in groups:

- Pray for those who have yet to receive Christ as savior
- Pray that we would believe we are dead to sin
- Pray that we could walk in the New Life

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