

CAC LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

I AM - The resurrection and the life – April 5, 2026

Big Idea: Jesus is the source of eternal life for all who believe in Him

- Ice Breaker: Have you ever gotten a scam call or message that almost fooled you? What tipped you off?

Key Points

Take a few minutes to review the key points from this week's sermon.

- Sometimes God doesn't answer our prayers the way we want Him to
- God can have a different, better plan for us, even if we don't see or understand it
- Jesus walking out of the grave was the pivotal moment in all of history
- The question "Who is Jesus?" is something we all must answer
- How we answer "Who is Jesus?" has a tremendous impact on our lives
- God is always with those who accept Jesus's claim to be the Son of God

Discussion Questions

Based on the sermon, discuss the questions below.

- What was your biggest takeaway? What stuck out the most or moved you on a personal level?
- Did anything bother you? What questions did you have?

Making it Personal

Review with your group the impact this week's sermon made on you personally.

- Are you a planner, or do you prefer to follow someone else's plan? Did you ever plan carefully for something, only to have things go quite differently than you expected?
- When have you seen God's plan for your life unfold in such a way that you could see it was much better than the plan you had for yourself?
- When did God not answer a prayer in the way you wanted Him to? Can you relate to Martha's feelings of disappointment or hurt when God doesn't act immediately? How has unanswered prayer impacted your faith?
- How would you answer the question, "Who is Jesus?"
- How has Jesus given you new life since you have been following Him?
- Why do you think so many people believe Jesus was a real person but disagree on who He actually is?
- What are the differences between seeing Jesus as a "good teacher" versus "Savior and Son of God"? Is it possible for him to be one but not the other?
- Who in your life demonstrates a strong faith in Jesus, like Martha did?

Scripture Review

Revisit some of the scripture passages from this week and discuss the questions below.

- John 11:1-44
- What do Mary and Martha say to Jesus in verses 21 and 32? What is the implication?
- What stands out most to you about the conversation between Martha and Jesus in verses 23-27?
- How do verses 35 and 44 highlight both the humanity and deity of Jesus?

Diving Deeper

Use the verses below to dive into other passages of scripture that relate to the primary scripture passage from this week's sermon.

Old Testament

- Proverbs 8:35, Job 19:25-27, Psalm 16:8-11, Daniel 12:2-3, Isaiah 53:5, Isaiah 26:19, Joshua 1:9, Deuteronomy 31:8, Isaiah 55:8-9

New Testament

- 1 John 5:11, John 3:16, John 17:2, Romans 6:23, 1 Peter 5:10, 2 Corinthians 4:17, Matthew 7:13-14, 1 Corinthians 15:20-22, Romans 8:28

How do these scripture passages align with the scripture from the sermon? Do you see any contradictions between passages? If so, can you explain why this is?

Application & Action

It is important to take the knowledge you gain and see how it can become an actionable step that the Holy Spirit can use to produce transformation in your life.

Easter commemorates the resurrection of Jesus Christ and fulfills the prophecy of the Messiah's persecution, death for our sins, and rising from the grave. This event serves as a reminder of our victory over sin and a source of daily hope. As you ponder in your heart the question "Who is Jesus?" to you personally, take some time to reflect on the following questions. May you experience joy this week with a fresh reminder He is our loving Savior and the only source of eternal life.

- The sermon says we don't walk through life alone if we follow Jesus. In what situations do you most need to remember that truth right now? What can help you remember this truth when you are in a moment of doubt, fear, trouble, etc.?
- The conclusion of the story in John 11 is that Lazarus is raised from the dead. Are there places in your spiritual life that feel dead right now and need new life? Share what these places are with your group, a close friend, or family member, and ask for prayer.
- Is there an area in your life where you feel like God hasn't shown up the way you hoped? How might trusting His bigger plan change your perspective? What is one habit you can start or grow (prayer, Bible reading, worship, community) that would deepen your relationship with Him this week?
- How can you become more aware of God's presence in your everyday life—not just during hard moments?
- Jesus is alive! As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior this week, think of a way you can share this good news and the joy in your heart with someone who may be hurting or doubting.

Two-minute Takeaway

In response to this week's message, commit to taking two minutes each day to take a step closer to God.

Pray An Honest Prayer: Like Martha, bring your real feelings to God—disappointment, doubt, frustration, or hope. Spend two minutes each day this week saying: "God, here's what I really feel..." and be completely honest.

Prayer

Close your group time together with prayer.