

EASTER 2026 | SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Theme: Easter is the story of Jesus choosing to say “yes”. He said “yes” to the cross, to the grave, and to rising again for us. His “yes” invites us to say “yes” to Him.

Ice-Breaker Questions

1. **Fun Start:** What’s a time in your life when saying “yes” led to something unexpected or life-changing?
2. **Creative Twist:** If you had to describe your current season of life with one word (“yes” or “no”), which would it be and why?

Reflection Questions

3. **Core Message:** The Bible emphasized that Jesus wasn’t forced onto the cross. He chose it (Jn. 10:18; Matt. 27:50; Rev. 13:8). Why is it important that Jesus willingly said “yes” instead of being a victim?
4. **Scriptural Insight (Read John 10:18 together):** Jesus says He has authority to lay down His life and take it up again. What does this reveal about who Jesus is and the power behind His resurrection?
5. **Challenge of Saying Yes:** Sin as us saying “no” to God. In what ways do people commonly say “no” to God today – either openly or subtly?
6. **God’s Role:** The resurrection proves that Jesus’ “yes” is greater than sin and death. How does that truth change the way you view your past, your failures, or your future?

Action-Oriented Questions

7. **Personal Growth:** Which of the three responses do you most relate to right now:
→ Yes to Salvation → Yes to Submission → Yes to Sacrifice? Why?
8. **Practical Steps:** What is one specific “yes” God might be asking you to say this week, and what would it look like to actually follow through?
9. **Difficult Yes:** Saying “yes” to God isn’t always easy. What fears, doubts, or obstacles tend to hold you back from fully saying yes to Him?
10. **Community Impact:** Who is one person in your life right now who needs hope, forgiveness, or truth about Jesus? What would it look like to say “yes” to reaching them?

Closing Challenges

- **Weekly Practice:** Each day this week, ask yourself: *“Where is God inviting me to say yes today?”* Write down one moment each day where you choose obedience.
- **Prayer Focus:** Pray that God would give you the courage to say yes—whether for the first time in salvation, in surrendering an area of your life, or in stepping out to reach someone else.