

WRITE IT DOWN!

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LISTEN UP!

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*The Resurrection of Jesus is bigger than we think!
While it makes possible eternal life,
that's really only the beginning.
The reverberations of the Resurrection include . . .*

I. A Real Communion with God

- Forgiveness: Jesus gave himself for our sins (1:3-4)
- Freedom: Jesus frees us from performance religion (5:1)
- Family: Jesus brings us into the family of God (4:4-5)

II. A True Community with Others

- Uniting: Jesus brings together divided peoples (3:28)
- Changing: Jesus begins an ongoing character change (5:22+)
- Serving: Jesus enables us to serve one another in love (5:13)

III. A New Creation in This World

- A Future: Jesus makes us heirs of eternity (4:7)
- A Hope: Jesus will bring about a universal "rightness" (5:5)
- A Remaking: Jesus will bring about a renewal of all things (6:15)

THINK IT OVER!

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1. Sit down and read the book of Galatians in a single sitting? What themes jump out at you?
2. What stands in our way of a REAL COMMUNION with God? How has God taken care of that?

WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging in the text/message this week and why?
2. What do you think are some of the reasons why people do not believe the Resurrection of Jesus? As you talk to these folks does it seem to you like they've really examined the evidence for the Resurrection?

You're looking at a sample of Growth Group Discussion Questions.
Growth Groups are a big part of our ongoing attempt to be a "true community" of Jesus.
Growth Groups consist of 6-12 people who gather once a week over a 10 week period to study God's Word, pray and care for one another. Growth Groups are a "fast track" into life at Grace.
Growth Group enrollment for the Spring Quarter is happening today between services in the Courtyard!

3. In what way does sin distort and destroy our community with one another? How does the Gospel of God's free grace make TRUE COMMUNITY possible? (Go deep and get specific!)
3. How has our expressive individualism caused us to think too "small" about the good news of the Resurrection of Jesus?
4. How is the Resurrection of Jesus a sign and a foretaste of New Creation? What does it indicate about the New Creation?
4. If you buy that God is not going to make a new world, but to remake this world out of the stuff that's here, what difference would that make in your life and the way you live it?