

**The Resurrection Changes Everything**  
**“A Revival of Our Hearts and Homes:**  
**A Study in the Book of James”**  
**Cornerstone Church of Poway**  
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"He is not here, for He has risen, **just as He said**. Come, see the place where He was lying." **Matthew 28:6 (NASB)**

**Big Idea:** We need a revival in our hearts and homes that changes lives.

"Come close to God, and God will come close to you."

**James 4:8a (NLT2) Remember Verse**

**“James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.” James 1:1a (NIV)**

➤ **James Didn't Always Believe In Jesus**

"The next Sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue, and many who heard him were **amazed**. They asked, "Where did he get all this **wisdom** and the **power** to perform such **miracles**?" Then they **scoffed**, "He's just a carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of **James**, Joseph, Judas, and Simon. And his sisters live right here among us." They were deeply offended and **refused** to believe in him."

**Mark 6:2-3 (NLT2)**

"For even his brothers **didn't believe** in Him." **John 7:5 (NLT2)**

➤ **Who did Jesus claim to be?**

**Jesus Claimed To \_\_\_\_\_.**

Jesus said to the paralytic, "Son, your **sins are forgiven**." But some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming; who can forgive sins but **God alone**?" **Mark 2:5-7 (NASB)**

**Jesus Claimed To Be The \_\_\_\_\_ Way To Heaven.**

Jesus said to him, "I am the **way**, and the **truth**, and the **life**; **no one** comes to the Father but through **Me**." **John 14:6 (NASB)**

**Jesus Claimed To Be The \_\_\_\_\_.**

Jesus said, "When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said, "Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah would suffer and die and rise from the dead on the third day. **Luke 24:44-46 (NLT2)**

➤ **James Had A Trilemma:** Jesus was either Lord, a Liar, or a Lunatic?

## The Resurrection Changes Everything:

### 1. The Resurrection Makes Believers \_\_\_\_\_.

“I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. **Christ died for our sins**, just as the Scriptures said. **He was buried**, and He was **raised from the dead** on the third day, **just as the Scriptures said**. He was seen by **Peter** and then by the **Twelve**. After that, He was seen by more than **500** of his followers at one time, most of whom are **still alive**, though some have died. Then He was seen by **James** and later by all the apostles.”

#### 1 Corinthians 15:3-7 (NLT2)

“After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing **proofs** that He was alive. He appeared to them over a period of **forty days** and spoke about the kingdom of God.” **Acts 1:1-3 (NIV)**

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### 2. The Resurrection Proves \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus told her, “I am the **resurrection** and the **life**. Anyone who believes in me **will live**, even after dying.” **John 11:25 (NLT2)**

“And Christ lives within you, so even though your **body** will die because of sin, the Spirit gives you **life** because you have been **made right** with God. The Spirit of God, who **raised** Jesus from the dead, **lives** in you. And just as God **raised** Christ Jesus from the dead, He will give **life** to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.” **Romans 8:10-11 (NLT2)**

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### 3. The Resurrection Proves \_\_\_\_\_.

“God showed how much He **loved** us by sending His one and only Son into the world so that we might have **eternal life** through him. This is real love—not that we loved God, but that **He loved us** and sent His Son as a **sacrifice** to take away our sins.”

#### 1 John 4:9-10 (NLT2)

“That if you **confess** with your mouth, ‘**Jesus is Lord**’, and **believe** in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be **saved**.”

#### Romans 10:9 (NIV)

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➤ Who do you say Jesus is?

#### My next right step, I will:

[ ] Accept Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior

[ ] Journal through the book of James

[ ] Sign up for Believer’s Baptism May 17

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**Family Corner:** [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

**Small Groups:** [Choose as many questions that honors your group’s time commitment]

**Open in Prayer:**

- What thoughts from this week’s message encourages me to live a life for Jesus?

**Icebreaker:** What are some of your favorite Easter traditions?

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**Mark 6:2-3**

Why do you think the people of Jesus’ hometown went from being amazed at His miracles to scoffing Him?

What has caused you to struggle with your faith?

- **Who did Jesus claim to be?**

**Jesus Claimed To Forgive Sin.**

**Read Mark 2:1-11**

How remarkable is it to say that you can forgive sins?

What evidence did Jesus give to prove that He had the authority to forgive sins?

**Jesus Claimed To Be The ONLY Way To Heaven.**

**Read John 14:6**

What is Jesus claiming?

How remarkable is this proclamation of Jesus?

Could you or anyone you know make the same statement? Why or why not?

**Read Isaiah 53:3-10** What do you learn about the Messiah?

## **The Resurrection Changes Everything:**

### **1. The Resurrection Makes Believers Out Of Honest Skeptics.**

#### **Read 1 Corinthians 15:3-7**

What is our essential belief about Jesus?

Why is it important that the tomb was empty on the first Easter morning?

#### **Read Acts 1:1-3**

How much time did Jesus spend on earth before he ascended into heaven?

Here is a list of Jesus' appearance after the resurrection

- To over 500 people at one time 1 Corinthians 15:3-7
- To Mary Magdalene – John 20:10-18
- To the other women – Matthew 28:8-10
- To Cleopas and another disciple on the road to Emmaus – Luke 24:13-32
- To the eleven disciples and others – Luke 24:33-49
- To ten apostles and others with Thomas absent – John 20:19-23
- To Thomas and the other apostles – John 20:26-30
- To seven apostles showing his hands & side – John 20:26-30
- To the disciples – Matthew 28:16-20
- To the Apostles at the Mount of Olives before his ascension – Luke 24:50

How does this list help you to have confidence that Jesus rose from the grave?

### **2. The Resurrection Proves Jesus' Power Over Death.**

#### **John 11:25**

What is Jesus claiming here? Why is this important?

#### **Romans 8:10-11**

What is the promise to claim in this passage?

### **3. The Resurrection Proves The Depth Of God's Love.**

#### **1 John 4:9-10**

How deep is God's love for you?

Who loved who first? Why does this matter?

#### **Romans 10:9**

How can someone put their faith in Jesus?

When did you confess Jesus as your Lord?

- Jesus claimed to be the Savior of the world and validated it by rising from the dead. What will you do about it?

**Close in Prayer:** Start praying. Be bold, and pray specifically.

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