



Crossroads Sermon Study

Easter: The Bridge to Life

John 5:24

March 31, 2024

Lean In: What is your favorite Easter tradition?

Look In: Read Luke **24:1-8**, aloud together and write verses 5 in your journal.

Look Back: What stood out to you most about this week's teaching? What questions do you have? What encouraged you? What challenged you? What comforted you?

Take it Deeper:

1. When has your "real" crashed into your "ideal"? What did you do with the gap? In other words, in what area of your life do you relate with the sentiment: I didn't expect my life to go the way it has actually gone (for better or for worse)?
2. Why can't we have both control and a life of meaning and purpose? Why can't those two things we want coexist?
3. Which story from today's video testimonies did you most resonate with and why?
4. Read **Luke 24:1-12**, **Matthew 28:8-9**, and **John 20:14-16**. What is your favorite part of the Easter story and why?
5. "The ideal (Jesus) became real (came across the bridge) so that the real (you and me) could become ideal (find meaning and purpose now and forever)." How does this statement describe gospel? What does it make you feel?
6. Read **John 5:24** Have you crossed the bridge to Life? If so, when? If not, what is holding you back?

Look Up: *Thank you, God, that you have made a way for us to have life – not one grasping for control, but life that is full of meaning and purpose, under your loving care. You left perfection to enter a harsh reality of brokenness and sin for the sole purpose of bringing light and life and hope and peace through your death and resurrection. Thank you, Jesus! I receive this gift. May your Name be forever praised!*