



Easter Weekend

1824 GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**GROUP PREP**

In preparation for group, [watch Emmanuel's weekend service message](#), then answer the following discussion questions.

SOCIAL TIME

Have an ice-breaker ready, eat a snack together, and/or go around the circle asking your group members to share any news since your last meeting.

CHECK-IN TIME

Spend time talking through the past week. How did your action steps go? How was each group members Easter celebrations?

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Easter is a big deal in the Christian faith, but often we forget, or become numb to, the events that occurred for our sins to be covered. Pastor Danny shared an important reminder, and we now get to talk through how we keep Christ's sacrifices close to heart moving forward.

1. Do you have any Easter traditions in your family?
2. How familiar were you with the events that occurred between Jesus' arrest and his death?

Read [Romans 3:23](#) and [Romans 6:23](#). We have all sinned, yet through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross we are given the gift of eternal life. What emotions stir up when you think about what Jesus endured the day of his death knowing that punishment was meant not for him, but for every person, including you and me?

3. Jesus is our Savior, that is fact. Does your day-to-day life reflect that fact, or is Jesus only sitting in the seat of Savior when you need saved from something?
4. What is competing with Jesus to be the most important thing in your life? Why does that specific thing hold so much value to you?



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5. We can find ourselves striving when Jesus fails to be our top priority. How would your life look different if you weren't striving? What do you need to do this week to get serious about your faith?

ACTION STEP

Choose one of the following or create your own. Consider finding an accountability partner within your group to walk alongside you this week.

- **Make a List:** Write down all the things that have the potential to take priority over God. Make a plan to create healthy boundaries with those things.
- **Grow Your Spiritual Disciplines:** Try practicing a discipline that will help you grow closer to Christ. Not sure where to start? [Read this article](#) about spiritual disciplines.
- **Join the Relentless Pursuit:** If you have said the gospel prayer, you are now a carrier of that good news. Find ways to share the good news with the people in your life and invite them to church.
- **Get Accountable:** Find a friend, share the changes you are going to make, and allow them space to hold you accountable to those changes.
- **Daily time with God:** Determine the type of routine you'd like to have that allows you to spend time learning about what pleases God. Here are some ways to do this:
 - [Download the Emmanuel app](#) and read the One Year New Testament daily.
 - If you recently placed your faith in Christ and texted SAVED to 65248, read the devotional provided in your starter kit.

PRAYER

Ask your group to share two things:

- Prayer requests for themselves and the people in their lives.
- Ask for reasons to praise God. It is great to come to God in thanksgiving for all He has done.

Keep note of the burdens in people's lives and notice when God moves in those areas specifically. We believe God will see prayers become praise, and it is an opportunity to increase our faith when we are in the position to bring that to light.

GROUP SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

One of the best ways for your group to grow closer to each other and to God is by serving others. You can find a list of Group Serving Opportunities at eclife.org/groupsresources. For further questions contact outreach@eclife.org.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 13&14 | Baby Dedication

You can find more information on all of these events at eclife.org.