



Easter Bible Study Booklet

“From Arrest to Restoration”

WEEK 1

The Arrest and Trial of Jesus

John 18

Overview

John 18 records the arrest of Jesus, Peter's denial, and the trial before the high priest and Pilate. Even in betrayal and injustice, Jesus remains in control and faithful to His mission.

Discussion Questions

1. Read John 18:1–11.

Why do you think Jesus willingly stepped forward to identify Himself to the soldiers?

2. Read John 18:10–11.

What does Jesus' response to Peter tell us about His understanding of God's plan?

3. Read John 18:15–18, 25–27.

Why do you think Peter denied Jesus even after promising loyalty?

4. What can we learn from Peter about how fear can affect our faith?

5. Read John 18:33–38.

What does Jesus mean when He says His kingdom is “not of this world”?

6. Pilate asks, “What is truth?” (v.38).

How does Jesus reveal truth differently from how the world defines it?

7. Where do people today experience pressure to deny or distance themselves from their faith?

8. What does this chapter teach us about Jesus’ courage and obedience?

WEEK 2

The Crucifixion of Jesus

John 19

Overview

After the resurrection, Jesus meets His disciples by the Sea of Galilee. He restores Peter and reminds the disciples that their mission is to follow Him and care for His people.

1. Read John 19:1–16.

Why do you think the crowd insisted on crucifixion even though Pilate found no guilt in Jesus?

2. What does the suffering of Jesus reveal about the seriousness of sin?

3. Read John 19:25–27.

What does Jesus' concern for His mother while on the cross reveal about His character?

4. Read John 19:28–30.

What do you think Jesus meant when He said, "It is finished"?

5. Why is the completion of Jesus' mission on the cross central to the Christian faith?

6. Read John 19:31–37.

How do the fulfilled prophecies strengthen confidence in the Bible?

7. Read John 19:38–42.

What courage did Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus show by burying Jesus?

8. How should reflecting on the cross shape the way we live today?

WEEK 3

The Resurrection of Jesus

John 20

Overview

John 20 tells the story of the empty tomb, Jesus appearing to His disciples, and Thomas' journey from doubt to faith. The resurrection is the foundation of Christian hope.

1. Read John 20:1–10.

What were the different reactions of Mary, Peter, and the beloved disciple to the empty tomb?

2. Why do you think Mary Magdalene initially failed to recognize Jesus? (John 20:11–16)

3. What is significant about Jesus calling Mary by name?

4. **Read John 20:19–23.**

Why do you think Jesus first spoke peace to the disciples?

5. What does Jesus giving the disciples a mission teach us about the purpose of the resurrection?

6. Read John 20:24–29.

What can we learn from Thomas' doubt and eventual confession of faith?

7. How does the resurrection change the way Christians face fear, failure, or death?

8. Read John 20:30–31.

According to John, why was this Gospel written?

WEEK 4

Restored and Sent

John 21

Overview

After the resurrection, Jesus meets His disciples by the Sea of Galilee. He restores Peter and reminds the disciples that their mission is to follow Him and care for His people.

1. Read John 21:1–8.

Why do you think the disciples returned to fishing after the resurrection?

2. What similarities do you notice between this miracle and Jesus' earlier call of the disciples?

3. Read John 21:9–14.

What does this breakfast with Jesus reveal about His relationship with the disciples?

4. Read John 21:15–17.

Why do you think Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him?

5. How does Jesus restore Peter after his earlier denial?

6. What does “Feed my sheep” tell us about Christian leadership and responsibility?

7. Read John 21:18–19.

What does it mean to follow Jesus even when it is difficult?

8. In what ways is Jesus calling believers today to follow Him more faithfully?