

First Importance (1 Corinthians 15:1-8)

CONNECT—Think of a fun-icebreaker question to ask. For example, what is the main thing that the Lord has been teaching you so far in 2019

DISCUSS

What most stood out to you from Justin's sermon this past week? What was one of your big takeaways?

What most stands out to you from the passage of Scripture? What confuses you?

What are some other things that people consider to be "of first importance"? Do you have a story or two about how you have seen people (or yourself) pursue things besides Jesus as if they were "of first importance"?

Paul uses the phrase "in accordance with the Scriptures" when he discusses Jesus' death and His resurrection. As a Life Group, find 3 places in the Old Testament that predict Jesus' death (BONUS POINTS, if you can find 5). Find 3 places in the Old Testament that predict Jesus' resurrection. *[If you are having trouble, go to the Gospel accounts of Jesus' death/resurrection or to Hebrews, and find the Old Testament Scriptures cited there.]* Why is it important that Jesus' death and resurrection was predicted so repeatedly in the Old Testament? What do these predictions say about God and His place for salvation?

Why did Jesus have to die? Why is it significant that Jesus was buried?

Why is the resurrection a cause for celebration for Christians? If your friend asked you, "What proof do you have that Jesus actually rose from the dead?" what would you say?

READ 1 Corinthians 15:1-2.

Why do you think Paul needed to remind these Christians of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection? Why are reminders about the gospel important for your own walk with the Lord? How would the message that Paul gives help us stand firm in the faith?

RELATE—Consider splitting into guys and girls for this section.

What has been your biggest spiritual highlight this week? What has been your biggest spiritual struggle this week? What is one action step that you are going to take this week in light of this discussion?

IMPACT (Invite, Engage, Share)

Who is one person that you are going to invite to Life Group next week?