



Good News

Good News Is Here

Announcements

Do you want to make an eternal impact on our local community? If you answered yes then this is for you! For the the first time ever, Waters Edge Church is hosting a Backyard Mission Trip! Find out more here: <https://www.watersedgechurch.net/backyardmissiontrip>

Summary

Easter season is upon us and we shall all rejoice in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Conversation Starters

- It's Easter week: where do you stand on Peeps? Love them or hate them?
- And it's also spring: are you a pollen sufferer? How are you doing so far?

Discussion Questions

- Read John 12:12-13: what would it have been like to be one of the disciples as Jesus entered Jerusalem? Do you think that they had any sense of what was to come?
- Read Genesis 2:16-17: this week we learned that Adam and Eve invited bad news into the garden when they knowingly violated God's command. Do you do the same thing? Do you take actions in your life that bring you bad news all the while knowing that you are making wrong choices?
- Read Genesis 3:9. When you are facing major troubles in your life of your own making do you feel that God is (a) looking for you to offer help (b) looking for you to remind you that you have violated his commandments or (c) absent from your life altogether?
- One of the most significant parts of the Good News of Jesus Christ is that He has paid the price for our sins. When you knowingly violate one of God's commands do you understand the depth of the price that has been paid to save you? What does this mean to you?

- As a group recount the Biblical story of the Passover. How did it all unfold? In your life do you feel that your commitment as a Christ follower has marked your life as one that will be saved?
- Read Luke 22:19-20: what must it have been like for the disciples when they realized the import of the words of Jesus, meaning what was about to transpire? When you take communion do you reflect on what God is saying to you through your church?
- Read I Corinthians 11:26: we have learned that the Good News is here and that it is the life of Jesus Christ. In your everyday life how does that change your outlook?

For Further Study

- The English noun gospel comes from the Anglo-Saxon term Godspell, meaning “glad tidings.” It is translated from the Greek evangelion, which means “good message.” Originally, the word was related to news of military triumph. But when the New Testament was recorded its writers assigned the term gospel to the “good news” of salvation in Jesus Christ. This week take some time to put yourself in the position of one of the disciples, or Mary Magdelene, as Palm Sunday led to Easter. What must that have been like?
- Holy Week has this order. Palm Sunday: Jesus enters Jerusalem, is cheered as the new King of the Jews, and makes a claim to be the Jewish Messiah. Holy Monday: Jesus teaches in the temple of Jerusalem, sharing parables that use simple imagery to explain the kingdom of God. Thursday evening: Jesus is arrested. Good Friday: Jesus dies. Easter Sunday: Jesus rises from the dead. As this week progresses think of the significance of these events in your life. Do you truly understand the Good News?

Pick One

Invite someone to Easter at Water's Edge and do what it necessary to make sure they attend and hear the Good News.

Commit to pray about the events of Holy Week each day for seven days.

