



## Discussion Questions

### *Easter*

Instructions: A life group is a spiritual family. It is a time of mutual discussion, invitation, and growth together alongside the Holy Spirit. It's good to begin with prayer and 1-2 ice breaker questions to prime the pump and get to know one another. Then, after reading the Scriptures, **pick the questions that are of most interest to your group**. Make sure to conclude with a couple of application questions to live out our mission together. Finish with some time to care for one another and pray together.

#### **Ice Breaker Question (pick 1-2 questions)**

1. What are some ways Jesus has brought new life to you or someone you know?
2. What is a challenge you are facing right now?
3. What is one thought or idea from Sunday's message that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?

#### **Read and discuss John 20:11-23**

1. Have someone summarize this passage in their own words.
2. What is something that stands out in this passage?
3. What do you learn about Mary?
4. Why do you think Jesus chose to reveal his resurrected body to Mary first and tell her to share with the other disciples? What are some implications of this?
5. What do you learn about God in this passage?
6. What do you learn about people in this passage?
7. What is the relationship in this passage between loving others and your rights?
8. How did Jesus give up his rights to love us?

#### **Application**

1. How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days? (Have each person create an 'I Will...' statement)
2. Are you making use of the Lenten Prayer Guide ([avalonchurch.org/bulletin](http://avalonchurch.org/bulletin))? What is God saying to you through your time with him?
3. How can you bless someone else as a result of this Scripture and discussion?
4. How can our group bless someone in response to this Scripture and discussion?

#### **Pray Together**