



## SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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### **Sermon Discussion Guide**

Series: What's the Point?

Sermon: Easter Sunday

#### **Recap the Highlights:**

The Cross is the most recognizable symbol in human history. No matter where you go, the symbol is recognized.

The Cross represents an intersection of humanity and divinity:

- The horizontal beam represents humanity.
- The vertical beam represents deity.

The cross also forms a letter "t" and symbolizes Truth.

Jesus claims that He bears witness of the Truth - He is the representative of Truth itself; and, as the Son of God, that He is the only way for mankind to be made right with God. These claims require that Jesus:

1. Die on a cross in order to identify with humanity.
2. Rise from the dead to prove His authority over sin/death as Deity.

Evidence that Christ died for my humanity and rose again to validate His authority over sin and death as Deity:

- Prophecies - The old testament written over a 1000 year period contains over 300 prophecies regarding the coming Messiah.
- Supernatural events - During his crucifixion, unexplainable events occurred which are recorded - The Sun darkening, the veil in the Temple was torn from top to bottom, and an earthquake occurred at His last words.
- Empty - The tomb was empty.
- Eyewitnesses saw Jesus - Approximately 515 people saw Jesus over a 40 day period.
- His disciples went from denying him to becoming martyrs and ½ of them being crucified.

#### **Now Dig Deeper:**

1. Discuss the topic of "proof" of Jesus' resurrection.
2. Talk about stories of life change that you have witnessed in others.
3. Jesus came to reveal himself to you. Do you remember when He revealed himself to you personally? What is your story?

#### **Respond & Pray:**

- Pray as a group and ask God to help you in learning what your Next Step is and how you can help others grow closer to him.