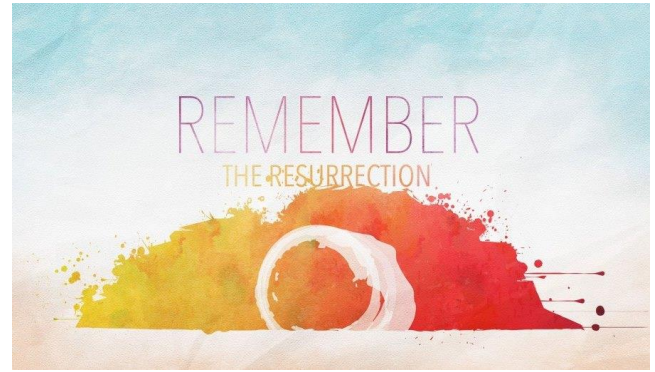


Royal Redeemer
CGS Community Discussion Guide

Based on Sermon for May 25 & 26, 2019

Remember The Resurrection

(For use as an opening Devotion, use only the highlighted portion)



- **Begin by sharing a high and/or a low from your week**
- **Connect**
 - Share what you remember that gets you through hard times.
- **Grow** (read the following passage aloud and listen for words or phrases that speak into your life now)

John 16: 16-20, 32-33 (NIV)

The Disciples' Grief Will Turn to Joy

¹⁶Jesus went on to say, "In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me."

¹⁷At this, some of his disciples said to one another, "What does he mean by saying, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me,' and 'Because I am going to the Father'?"¹⁸They kept asking, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We don't understand what he is saying."¹⁹Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, "Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me'?"²⁰Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy.

³²"A time is coming and in fact has come when you will be scattered, each to your own home. You will leave me all alone. Yet I am not alone, for my Father is with me."³³"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

- Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
 - This passage is part of Jesus' final instruction to His disciples the night before He was killed. Knowing that, what was Jesus talking in verses 16 and 20?
 - Read Zechariah 13: 7 which was written 500 years before the events of our reading. How does this relate to what Jesus says in verse 32 and to the disciples actions right after Jesus' crucifixion?
 - Why was Jesus telling them these things? (see verse 33).
 - How does the phrase "Remember the Resurrection" apply to how the disciples lived out their lives, since most of them went through persecution, torture and death for their belief and trust in Jesus.
 - How does the phrase "Remember the Resurrection" help you get through hard times? Share that with the group.
- **Serve**
 - Share the truth of the resurrection and the comfort that gives you with someone that God has put into your life.

- **End with Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**