

WEEK 1

SMALL GROUP GUIDE



THIS SERIES

For some of us, the Easter story is a little unclear. (It has something to do with Jesus dyeing Easter eggs with a rabbit, right?) For others, we've heard the Easter story, seen the Easter plays, and attended Easter services so many times that it has almost become white noise. In this Easter series, you'll challenge students' assumptions and attitudes about the Easter story as you help them see that the story of Jesus' death and resurrection is **more than just a story**—it's true! And it's **good news for the entire world**.

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

The Easter story is more than a story.

THE BIBLE

Luke 23:44-24:11; Romans 5:6-11
II Corinthians 5:16-17

- **Have you ever believed an untrue story? What happened?**
- **Have you ever refused to believe a story that turned out to be true? What happened?**
- **Why do you think the Easter story is difficult for some people to believe?**
- **If you believe in the Easter story, why do you believe it's true?**
- **Why do you think it matters if the Easter story is true or not?**
- **If the Easter story is true, how can it change our lives?**
- **If you believe in Jesus, what's one thing that helped you start believing?**
- **If you believe in Jesus, share the story of how you came to know and believe in Him.**
- **Read II Corinthians 5:16-17. What do we mean when we say Jesus makes us into a "new creation"?**
- **If Jesus has changed your life, what's one way He has made you new?**
- **What's one area of your life where you need Jesus to make you new?**
- **What's one way you can let the Easter story make a difference in your life this week?**