



# CONNECTIONS

Sermonnotes - April 16, 2017

## Keyverse

*He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you,  
while he was still with you in Galilee. Luke 24:6*

## Easter Crossroads

*Jesus' resurrection is either history or hoax, miracle or myth, fact or fantasy. What do you believe?*

1. Would you say that most people you know believe that Jesus actually lived and died 2000 years ago? How many of them believe that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive today?
  
2. What does it mean that Jesus “rose from the dead”? What actually happened?
  
3. How is Jesus’ resurrection different from others (such as Lazarus) who were raised back to life? Consider these verses:
  - John 17:1-5—
  
  - John 5:25-29—
  
  - 1 Peter 3:18-22—
  
  - Hebrews 7:23-25—
  
4. What convinces *you* (or not) that Jesus actually rose from the dead? What questions do you have about it?
  
5. Why was Jesus’ resurrection necessary? Wasn’t it enough that He died for our sins on the cross? Note the reasons Paul gave in 1 Corinthians 15:12-32.
  
6. What does Jesus’ resurrection mean to you personally? How has the Lord spoken to you this Easter about your relationship with Him?