

# Rolling Stone

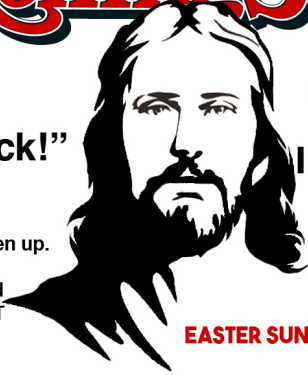
LIFE EVENT!

**Exclusive**

Jesus says,  
"I'll be back!"

**Earthquake**  
has everyone shaken up.

Soldier interviewed  
says: "THIS IS NOT  
FAKE NEWS!"



"I still haven't  
found what  
I'm looking for"

"Spirit in  
the sky"

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21 2019

## For Easter to be more:

- We have to experience the person and power in the Story.

10 I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead... Philippians 3:10 (NLT)

- Our search says a lot about our condition.
- Our sin condition leads us to believe that God can't meet our needs.
- Spiritual needs can't be satisfied by temporary things.
- Only God can satisfy our internal void.

9 For he satisfies the thirsty soul and fills the hungry soul with good. Psalm 107:9(TLB)

1 But very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. 2 They found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. 3 So they went in, but they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes. 5 The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive?" Luke 24:1-5 (NLT)

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## The angels were saying:

- You're looking for a Jesus without life.  
"I am the resurrection and the life..." John 11:25 (NIV)

- You're looking for a Jesus without substance.  
Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life..." John 14:6 (NIV)

- You're looking for a Jesus without power.  
Then Jesus came to them and said, "All power in heaven and on earth is given to me..." Matthew 28:18 (NCV)

## We probably haven't found what we're looking for if:

- We're not living with purpose.  
... I came to give life—life in all its fullness. John 10:10 (NCV)

- We're not challenged by Jesus' resurrection.  
He included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a resurrection life, a far better life than people ever lived on their own. 2 Corinthians 5:15 (MSG)

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- We're not living with hope.

"We have been born again into a life full of hope through Christ's rising from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

25 Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. John 11:25 (NLT)

14 And God is going to raise our bodies from the dead by his power just as he raised up the Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 6:14 (TLB)

And just as they were telling about it, Jesus himself was suddenly standing there among them. "Peace be with you," he said. But the whole group was startled and frightened, thinking they were seeing a ghost! "Why are you frightened?" he asked. "Why are your hearts filled with doubt? Look at my hands. Look at my feet. You can see that it's really me. Touch me and make sure that I am not a ghost, because ghosts don't have bodies, as you see that I do." As he spoke, he showed them his hands and his feet. Still they stood there in disbelief, filled with joy and wonder. Then he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" Luke 24:36-41 (NLT)

## Because Jesus is Alive:

- Your past can be forgiven.
- He helps us even when we doubt.
- You can experience real life.  
11 The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you. Romans 8:11 (NLT)
- Your search can be over.



**TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE  
IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.**

**Have Questions? Text them to: (559)-464-5754**

## Questions for Connection Groups:

*These questions also work well for personal time with God.*

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Why?
- Is there a time in your life where you could relate to the U2 song "I still haven't found what I'm looking for"?
- What does it mean to you to experience the person and power of the story?
- What does this statement mean to you - "Our search to have our needs met says a lot about our condition?"
- How does sin lead us to believe that God can't meet our needs?
- If you were to insert yourself into the story in Luke 24:1-5, What would you have been looking for? Explain.
- Why do you think the disciples were not looking for Jesus to rise from the dead? Would you have expected that?
- Does Jesus' resurrection challenge you? (maybe to live with a sense of expectation and anticipation?) Explain.
- How does Jesus' resurrection give you purpose and hope?
- As you read Luke 24:36-41, do you find comfort in how Jesus addresses the disciples doubts? Explain.
- Have you found that Jesus really does meet all your needs? Explain.

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