

READY FOR HOPE

EASTER – STAND ALONE MESSAGE – LIFEGROUP QUESTIONS

START TALKING. WITH AN ICEBREAKER QUESTION:

- You can find some on page 6 [here](#).
- What is something in culture that when you hear/see/feel it, it brings you “hope?” (i.e. springtime)

START THINKING. ASK QUESTIONS TO GET YOUR GROUP THINKING.

- Why do you think people show up for Easter church, but not other Sundays?
- What are some things that cause people to lose hope? To give up?
- It was stated that we “don’t need a makeover, we need a do over.” How do people in our culture attempt makeovers instead of receiving the do over of God’s grace?

James 4:6 (NIV)

But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

START SHARING. CHOOSE QUESTIONS THAT CREATE OPENNESS.

- Hurt, pride, and fear were listed as things that close our minds to God’s power. Which are you most susceptible to?
- Some people think grace is too weak to rescue them. Others think grace is too weak to change them. How have you found grace to be the right strength to be able to do both?
- What did you used to think was impossible in your life, but is now happening?

Matthew 19:26 (NIV)

Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

START PRAYING. BE BOLD, AND PRAY WITH POWER.

- Father, forgive me when I get focused on my abilities instead of your grace. Bring conviction on my heart where I am not open to You. May I never insult you again with dreams that aren’t fueled by your power, grace, and love.

START DOING. COMMIT TO A STEP AND LIVE IT OUT THIS WEEK.

- This week when you see someone who seems to be without hope, pray for them, then ask God to use you to bring hope to them.