

Harvest Bible Chapel Small Group Questions
Easter Sunday April 12, 2009

Acts 17:1-7

Isa. 53

1. Easter Bunnies. Easter egg hunts. Easter baskets. Easter bonnets. "Peeps." Were these part of your Easters in your past or present? How much do you think these types of things should be a part of our Easter celebrations?
2. Have you heard any talk about Easter on any media outlet this week? Did any of them mention the resurrection of Christ? How much of a danger is there of losing the significance of Christ's resurrection in our culture? When did the reality of the resurrection of Christ first impact you?
3. Have you ever watched the celebration that takes place on New Year's Eve when the ball drops in Time's Square at midnight? What are they celebrating? How does this compare with our celebration of the most significant event in history, the resurrection of Christ? Why don't we get this excited on Easter? What needs to change in us to increase our excitement about the resurrection?
4. Do you ever think that your Christianity is grounded in "blind faith?" Do you have confidence that your faith is ground in verifiable facts? Why or Why not? Read 1Cor. 15:3-8. What evidence do we have that Jesus is alive?
5. Read 1Cor. 15:14-17. How significant is it that Christ physically, bodily rose from the dead? Can you be a Christian and not believe in the physical, bodily resurrection of Christ?
6. To what degree does our world need to be once again "turned upside down" by bold proclamation of a risen savior? What needs to be turned upside down? How can the truth of the gospel make practical change in our world? What reaction can we expect?
7. What part of your world still needs to be "turned upside down" by Jesus?
8. Read Phil. 3:8-12. How is the power of the resurrection work in you today?
9. Read Col. 3:1. How should the resurrection impact your thoughts?