

# Easter Sunday

## More Than Expected

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We may all have different expectations for Easter and what we're looking to get out of it. But what if God has so much more in store than what any of us expect?

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### MESSAGE NOTES AND HIGHLIGHTS

- Most of us come to Easter for something—a tradition, a checkbox, or our soul is searching for something. What if there's more than what you showed up looking for?
  - In the story of Easter (Luke 24, verses 1-6), we find that God had so much more in store than what people had imagined.
  - The followers of Jesus who discover an empty tomb find so much more than what they were looking for.
  - Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? | Luke 24, v.5
  - Where am I looking for life in dead things and dead ends?
  - There are so many things we use to try to find life, but they can't do what Jesus did, and they can't offer what Jesus does.
  - I have come that they may have life, and life to the full. | John 10, v.10
  - We've all looked for life in dead places. Jesus offers real life, in every way.
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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Can you think of a time when someone or something totally exceeded your expectations?
2. In what dead ends or dead things have you tried to find life? Where have you tried to find meaning or purpose and come up short?
3. Jesus said that he's come so that we may have life, and have it to the full? Have you found this to be true? In what ways does Jesus lead us to a fuller life?